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R.A.F. TURN BREMEN INTO RAGING FURNACE WITH 20,000 BOMBS

LONDON, JAN. 2 (REUTER).—TWENTY THOUSAND INCENDIARIES AND A LOAD OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON BREMEN DURING THE FIRST HOUR OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S FIERCE BOMBING RAID BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, TURNED THE GREATEST SEAPORT IN GERMANY—AFTER HAMBURG—INTO A RAGING FURNACE.

INTENSE RAIDS ON BARDIA

Smashing Blows By R.A.F.

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force raids on Bardia and Derna, and aerodromes in Timi and Gazala, are announced in a communiqué issued by R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East.

All bombs at Bardia burst

in the target area but details of the damage were not observed.

In Italian East Africa, the Rhodesian squadron destroyed a number of buildings near Sabderat while other aircraft of the same squadron made a dive attack on enemy positions in Kuru 50 miles east-north-east of Kassala, destroying motor transport vehicles, starting a very large fire and silencing several A.A. guns.

From all operations all British aircraft returned safely.

Guns From Sidi Barrani

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Guns captured in the battle for Sidi Barrani and during the advance into Libya total 329 and include 20 heavy and 48 light A.A. guns, states today's communiqué.

The Italian garrison at Bardia shows no signs of activity and is allowing British forces to continue preparations and concentrations without any interference.

There is no chance in the situation on other fronts.

Italians Quiet

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (UP).—The General Headquarters communiqué states: "The Italians at Bardia show no sign of activity. The captured guns now total 329 including 20 heavy and 48 light guns."

Meat Ration Reduced

In Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Ministry of Food announced that the meat ration which is now 1s. 10d. per week will be reduced to 1s. 6d. effective next Monday.

A severe meat shortage developed in London to-day with some butchers being forced to close their shops because their supplies were exhausted, while other shops announced that their customers would be allotted only 7d. to 1s. 1d. worth of meat, depending on the supplies.

The unprecedented Christmas rush, as well as the distribution and transportation difficulties are blamed for the shortage.

As the long procession of aircraft of the Bomber Command reached the Zuidor-Zee on their way to follow up the first attacks, they could see a red glow in the sky over Bremen although still 120 miles from their target.

Smoke from the fires reached as high as the clouds and mingled with them, and pilots found the targets they had been detailed to attack so thoroughly ablaze that rather than waste the bombs on buildings already gutted they sought other factories and dockyards in the city.

Armaments Assailed

It was an intensely cold clear night, and a young moon clearly lit up the targets, chief of which were the great shipbuilding yards in which warships of all kinds, and especially submarines, are under construction, the Deutsche Vacuum Oil refineries, railway communications, warehouses, rice and starch mills, and the Focke-Wulf air frame factory.

To defend Bremen, the Germans used all ground defences they could muster and the R.A.F. pilots reported formidable anti-aircraft fire.

Holland Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (UP).—The official news agency's correspondent at The Hague reports that R.A.F. planes last Tuesday night dropped a large number of incendiary and explosive bombs throughout Holland. Many houses were struck.

Channel Ports Hit

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Flashes and flares in the sky and muffled explosions from the direction of the French coast to-night indicated that R.A.F. bombers had braved the icy weather conditions in the Straits of Dover to attack again the German invasion ports.

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BULGARIA MUST ACCEDE
If Germany Demands Passage For Troops

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SOFIA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Official sources admitted to-day that Bulgaria will be forced to consent if Germany demands the free passage of troops across Bulgaria.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 The London Palladium Orchestra and Gitta Alpar (Soprano).

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque—London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 A Programme by Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Sam Browne (Vocal).

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Orchestre Napolitain and Deanna Durbin (Vocal)—Souvenir de Paupillippe—Sersende Napolitain, A. Frangese—Napolitan Song, Orchestre Napolitain; Someone to Care for Me, Il Ballo, Deanna Durbin (Vocal) with Orchestra; Napoli Tarantella, Chant de Sirene, Orchestre Napolitain; The Muids of Cudiz, My Own Deanna Durbin (Vocal) with Orchestra; Note Sur Mer—Barcarolle, Orchestre Napolitain.

8.30 London Relay—"Theatre Land."

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Books and People."

9.45 Norman Long in a Humorous Variety Programme—in Our Village, A.R.P., Nice Kid, Sergeant Major, Norman Long; Up Aroun' The Ole North Pole, What Can You Give a Nudist?, Bertha Willmett with Orchestra; The Scoutmaster, John Tilley; Anna, The Menace from Venice, My Young Man's Ever So Nice, Eddie Atherton with Orchestra; Seven Veins, Dear Old, Fashioned Thing, Norman Long with Piano.

10.15 Dance Music.

11.00 Close Down.

EVACUEES LOSES LIFE IN FIRE

A London evacuee, Pamela Gleeson, aged 8, and Dawn Lott, aged 7, lost their lives when the house of Mr. Reginald Lott, at Goslen Street, Highbury, Monmouthshire, was burnt down. Both girls were sleeping.

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Manager.

Colony's Industries Examined

Ministry of Supply Investigators Here

Following the recent Eastern Group Conference in New Delhi, two delegates from the Ministry of Supply Mission to India have arrived in the Colony to explore the possibilities of industries in connection with the Empire war effort.

They are Mr. F. H. Harrison and Mr. H. J. E. Hewlett, two technical members of the Ministry of Supply Mission which was headed by Sir Alexander Reger, and included about 20 representatives.

It is believed that at the Conference the delegates were so impressed by the possibilities of Hong Kong industries from the accounts of Colony's delegates that it was decided to send two experts to investigate.

An extensive programme, it is understood, has been arranged for the two delegates, who paid a visit to Kowloon Docks on Wednesday. They are expected to leave the Colony during the week-end for Rangoon and Calcutta.

Chinese Trade Fair Closes

The fourth annual trade fair of the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers' Union proved a tremendous success

and over 140,000 adults passed through the main gate into the fair grounds, stated an official of the Union yesterday.

About 20,000 tickets were sold for admission on New Year's Day and the fair authorities expected as big a crowd yesterday, the final day.

Mr. H. Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-General E. F. Norton, paid an informal visit on New Year's Day while other visitors were Sir Robert Ho Tung and the acting Consul-General for the Netherlands, Mr. D. G. E. Middleburg.

It was announced yesterday that all proceeds from admission charges for yesterday would be donated to charity.

Pieces of art and electric torches and batteries occupied most of the stalls and as an official pointed out, the export trade for electric torches was tremendous.

New Exhibits this year were machines for the manufacture of precision tools and these excited much interest. The fair closed last night at 10 p.m.

Five Million Troops

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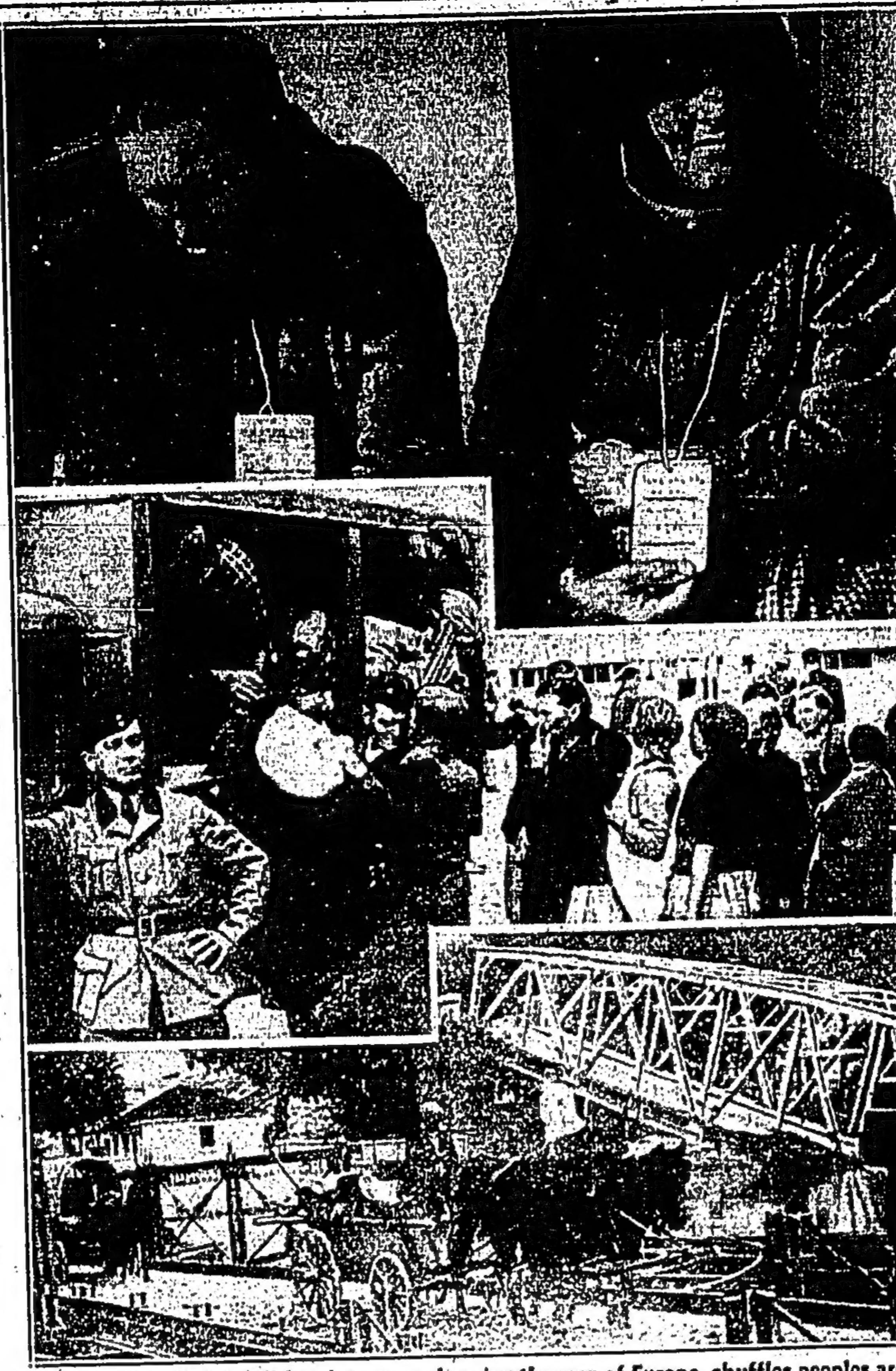
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MOVING A PEOPLE—Hitler, intent on changing the map of Europe, shuffles peoples around at will. Following Russia's acquiring of Bessarabia, northeastern district of Rumania, Hitler ordered 125,000 Germans there to be repatriated. Here are scenes in connection with the movement of people. Top, two German women display identification cards. Centre, Germans reclaiming belongings after arrival at Rumanian border town. They will winter in newly constructed special quarters in Rumania, trekking to Germany later. Bottom, on journey from Bessarabia to Rumania over pontoon bridge. Bridge, right, blown in Russian crisis.

Greater Resistance By Chinese In 1940

Chungking, Jan. 2.

Interesting figures regarding the Sino-Japanese hostilities in the past three and half years were revealed by the Chinese War Minister, General Ho Ying-ching, "showing the increasing effectiveness of Chinese resistance."

During the first period of the war, the Japanese were mainly on the offensive and it was only during the Haichau battle that the Chinese launched a counter-offensive; but during the second period, though the Japanese still remained on the offensive, the Chinese adopted counter-offensive wherever possible and were particularly successful at Chongqing and Changsha.

In addition, it is claimed that 55,127 Chinkiang troops were taken prisoner. The communists estimate that the Chinkiang losses since the outbreak of the China Incident were 3,500,000, including dead, deserters and surrenders.

The Japanese losses for the year were given as 13,131, bringing the total casualties since 1937 to 101,899 officers and men, including those killed at Nomonhan and Changsha.

It is believed that at the Conference the delegates were so impressed by the possibilities of Hong Kong industries from the accounts of Colony's delegates that it was decided to send two experts to investigate.

During the first period there were 276 engagements involving over 100,000 troops, of which Chinese attacks amounted to only seven per cent, while during the second period there were 231 major engagements, of which Chinese attacks amounted to 45 per cent.

During the first period the furthest advance by the Japanese was about 700 kilometres, but in the second period it was only 200 kilometres. (The Japanese withdrawal from Nanning amounted to a retreat of 200 kilometres). The Japanese daily advance therefore in the early stages of the war amounted to 400 kilometres, but later only to 100 metres, and now not only no advance has been made but there are signs of retreat.

During the first period the highest figure of Japanese-occupied areas was 1,140,000 square kilometres, while in the second period the Japanese occupied only 90,000 square kilometres. Of these figures it must be pointed out that the Japanese occupied only ten per cent of the areas.

During these three and half years, the Japanese lost 1,000,000 troops killed and wounded with 83 per cent of Japan's able-bodied men drafted.

Japanese war expenditure in China totalled \$16,400,000,000, the while Japanese note issued by the end of 1940 had already reached \$3,000,000,000.—Reuter.

BETTE DAVIS MARRIED

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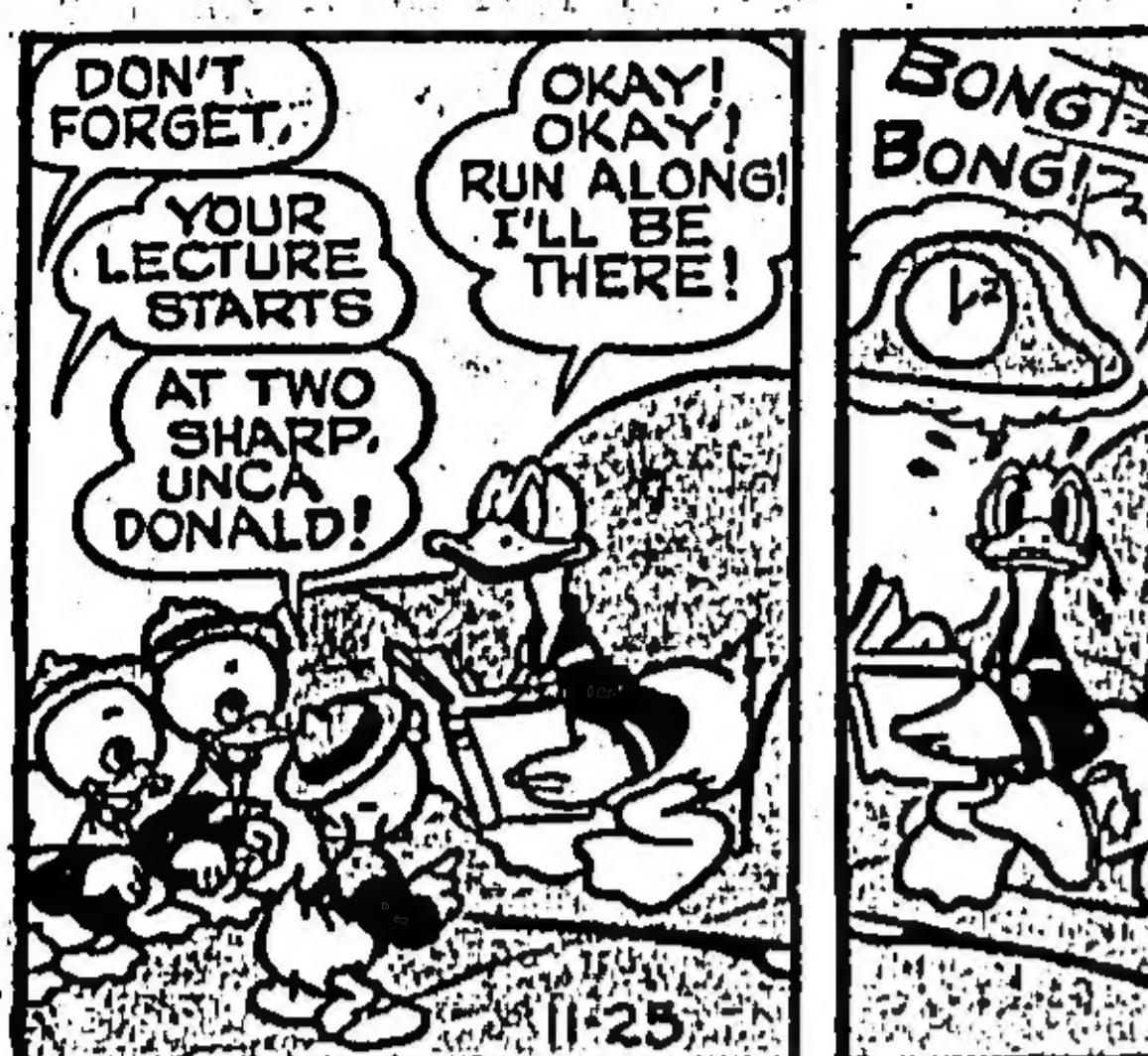
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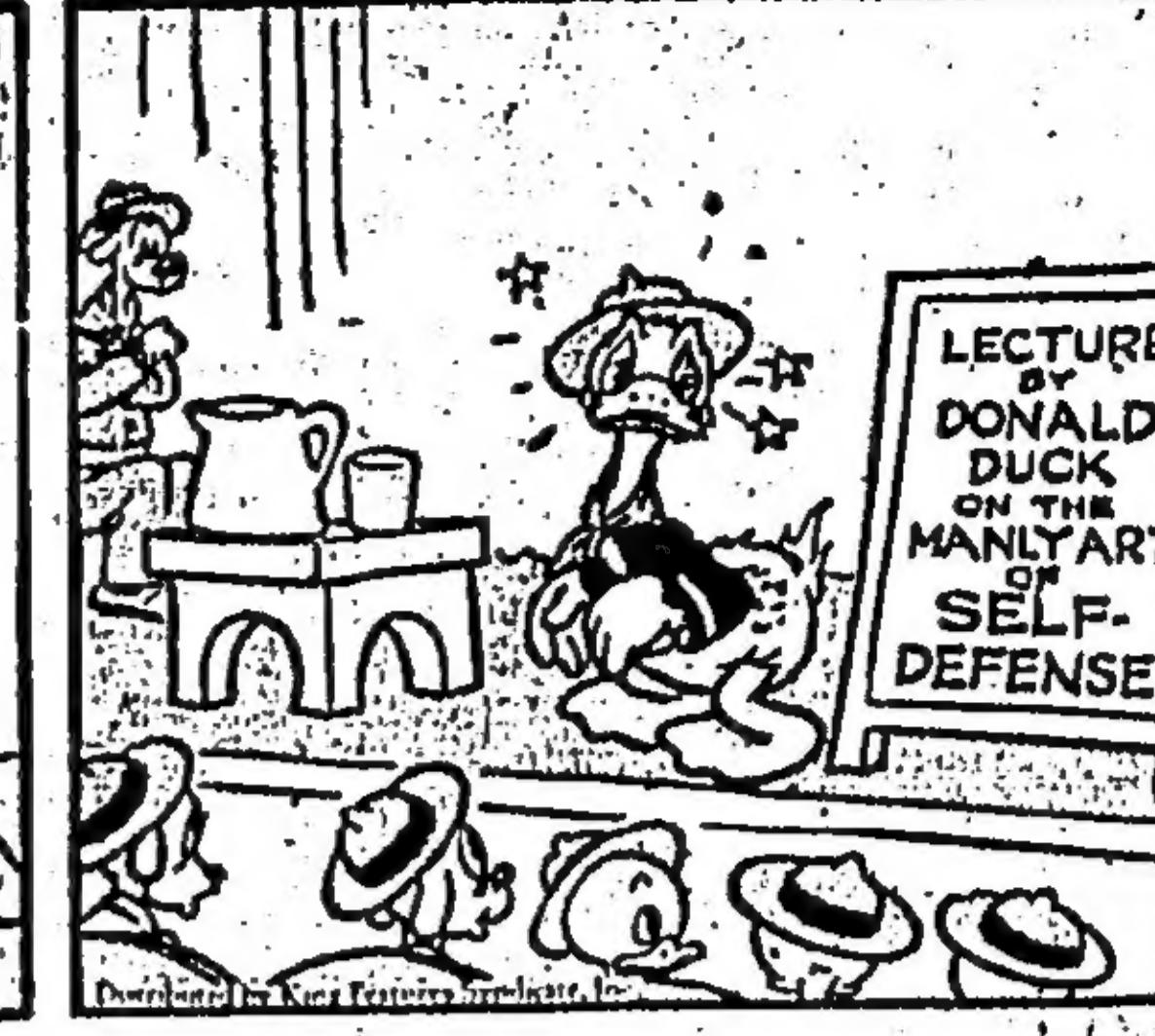
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In the first four chapters of his narrative, Fred Hockey, the St Peter Port harbour signaller, described how the Germans took possession of the Channel Islands after the British forces decided to evacuate. He continues his eye-witness account of the occupation in the following chapter. The story is recorded by

DUDLEY BARKER

"Socialism" For Channel Islanders

TO prove that things would be better and happier under Hitler's New Order, the Germans gave the Channel Islands "Socialism" after they had been in occupation for a fortnight.

The German harbour master in Guernsey told Fred Hockey (and Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller who afterwards escaped to England, told me) that Hitler's idea was that there should be no rich or poor, and all men would be equal—except, of course, the Germans.

So it was duly announced in the Guernsey newspapers that henceforward all businesses would belong to the States of Guernsey (which, in turn, of course, though this was not emphasised, temporarily belonged to Germany).

It was not exactly compulsory to hand your business over to the States.

But if you did not, there was nobody in Guernsey who could afford any longer to buy your produce, you could not export it, and you could not draw enough money to pay your employees even if you had it in the bank.

So there was not much choice about it.

"For a week later," said Fred Hockey, "all wages on the island were regulated, too.

Fixed Wages

"It was announced that every single man who was employed—and the Germans saw to it that they were employed if only in forced labour on the airport—would draw 30s. a week from the States.

"Married men would get 38s. a week, with 1s. extra for each child up to the number of five, and 6d. extra for each child over that number.

"Foremen and people who previously owned their businesses received 2s. a week extra, and people with dependent relatives also got a bit more. For instance, my total came to £2 a week because I was a married man and had my daughter to support, although she was adult.

"It's surprising how quickly you can put that sort of organisation into force, providing nobody is allowed to express any opinion about it, and nobody is allowed to argue. They had it running in Guernsey in a few days.

Bank Control

"They appointed overseers for each district to go round and make sure that everybody was working properly.

"Then they set up local court officials in the schoolrooms in each parish to pay out the Government wages, which were collected each week by the foreman and owners of businesses.

"People of independent means were no better off, because, no matter how much they had in the bank, they were not allowed to draw out more than their 30s. or 38s. each week, although they did not have to do any work."

"That was why no man could carry on his private business—he could not get the money to pay his expenses. And the Germans, of course, wanted all businesses to be handed over to the States, so that they themselves could control them.

"Most of the Guernsey businesses were glasshouses for growing tomatoes or grapes. The Germans made the growers turn a lot of them over to other crops, particularly maize and beans. It was thought that they wanted the seed to send to Germany, for next year's sowing.

Taken In

"Now this idea of everybody having an equal income, even if it was rather small income, sounded all right in theory, and some of the more ignorant people got taken in by it at first. I heard several of them say so, in the 'pubs' and sitting on the sea wall of an evening.

"But even those people soon began to realise that things did not work out quite the way they thought they would—everybody working, everybody equal, everybody happy, and so on.

"To start with, the tradespeople soon discovered that everybody in the island did not have an equal income. The Germans had much more than anybody else.

"Now, I can't explain to you exactly how that was worked, because I've been just an ordinary sailor all my life, and I don't understand much about exchange rates, and things like that.

"But this is what happened. The Guernsey people were paid in Guernsey money—that is, the same as English money.

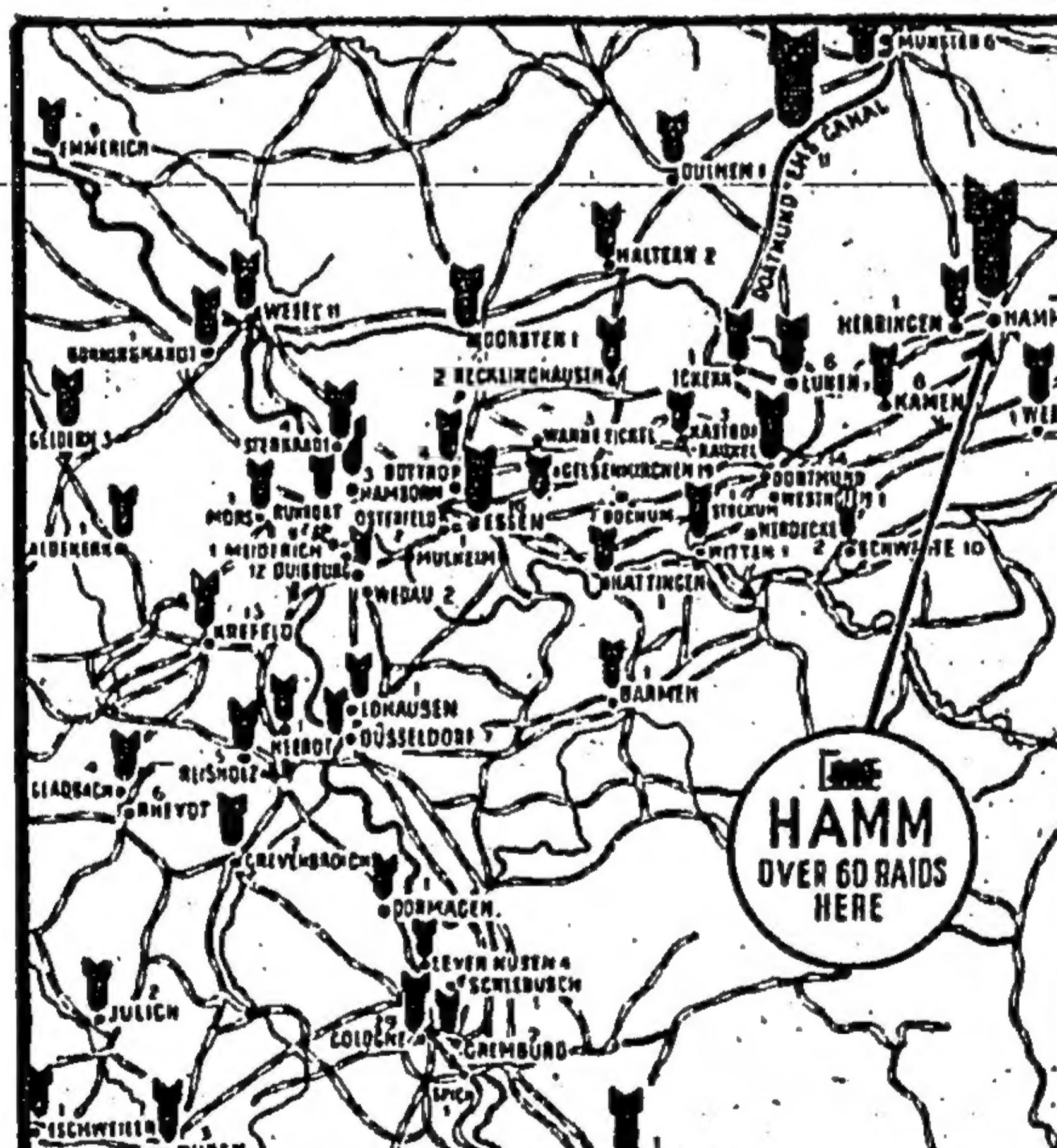
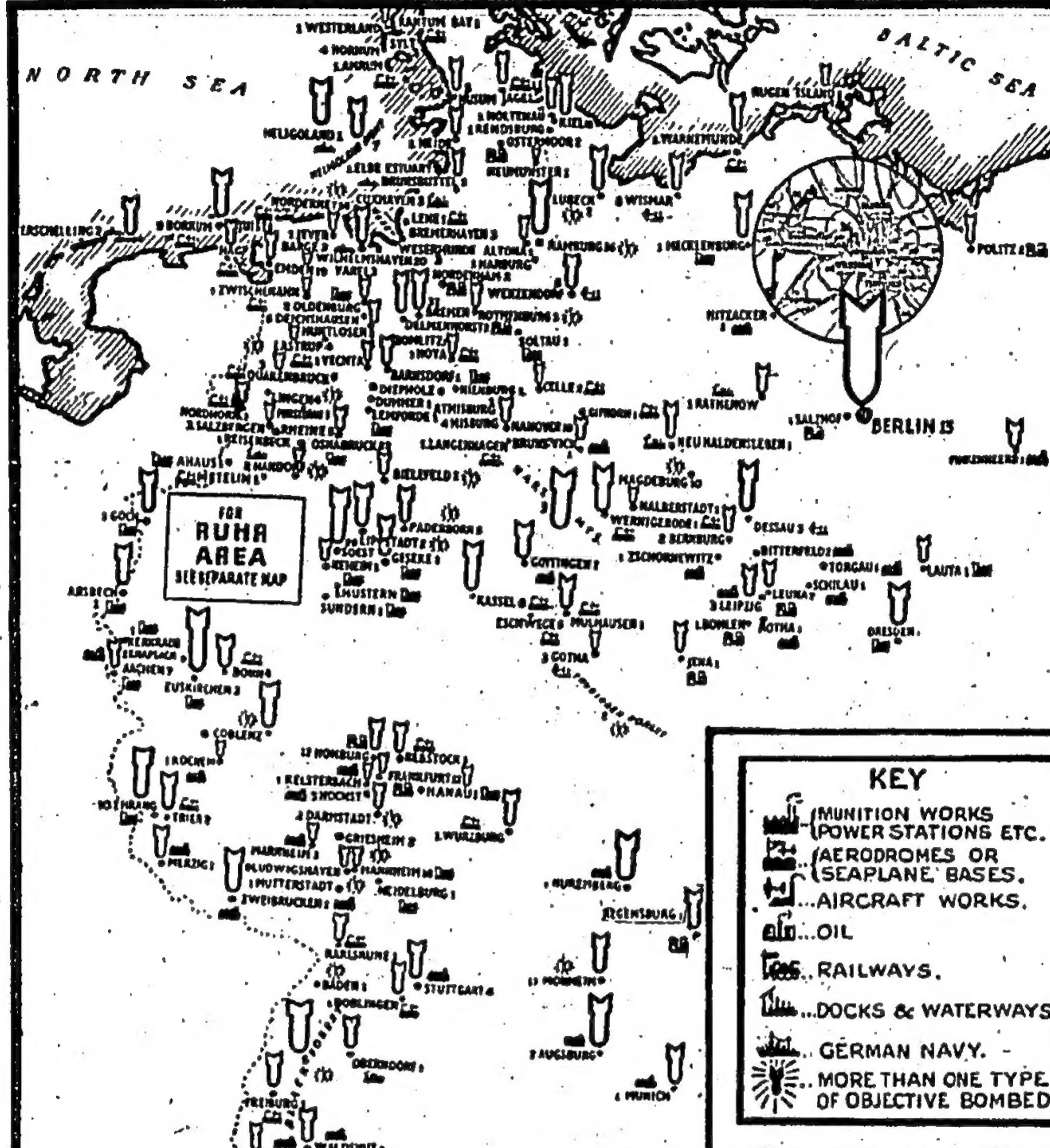
"At the same time the Germans flooded the island with German money. First of all it was marks—they brought from Germany, but a week or two later they started printing them in Guernsey itself.

Nothing To Buy

"The Germans were paid in marks, and the Germans decided how many marks went to the Guernsey pound.

"That was money for jam. That way, it worked out that the German private soldiers were getting £3 a week in Guernsey money, and the N.C.O.s and officers, of course, were rich men.

"Then we began to find out that it didn't matter so much



what our incomes were, but it did matter if there were nothing to buy with them.

"Nothing was imported into the island for the use of the islanders, although the Germans got everything they wanted.

"Cigarettes, now. All the English cigarettes were soon exhausted, and we had to depend on a small local cigarette factory, which, luckily, had a fair stock of tobacco. But when that stock is exhausted there will be no more cigarettes. Except, of course, for the Germans, who have their cigarettes sent in.

Wartered Beer

"It was the same with beer. There was a stock of beer in the island, but they would not bring any more in.

"They watered down what beer

and to make it almost undrinkable—but it is bound to come to an end soon. In fact I should think it is probably about ended by now. That means the Guernsey men will get no more beer.

"Wines and spirits, of course, were commanded on the first day and sent to Germany.

"It was rather funny that, at the same time, the Kommandant issued an order that there would be severe punishment for anybody found the worse for drink! That's one order the Guernsey men will never be able to disobey.

"This business of not being able to buy things applied to everything that had to be brought into the island—simply because the Germans were bringing nothing in, except for themselves.

"Shortly before I came away, for example, my daughter went out to try to buy some bananas. She was able to buy one. It cost her four pence.

"So we watched the result, week by week, of this great German Socialism, everybody equal, that they made such a fuss about in the Guernsey papers.

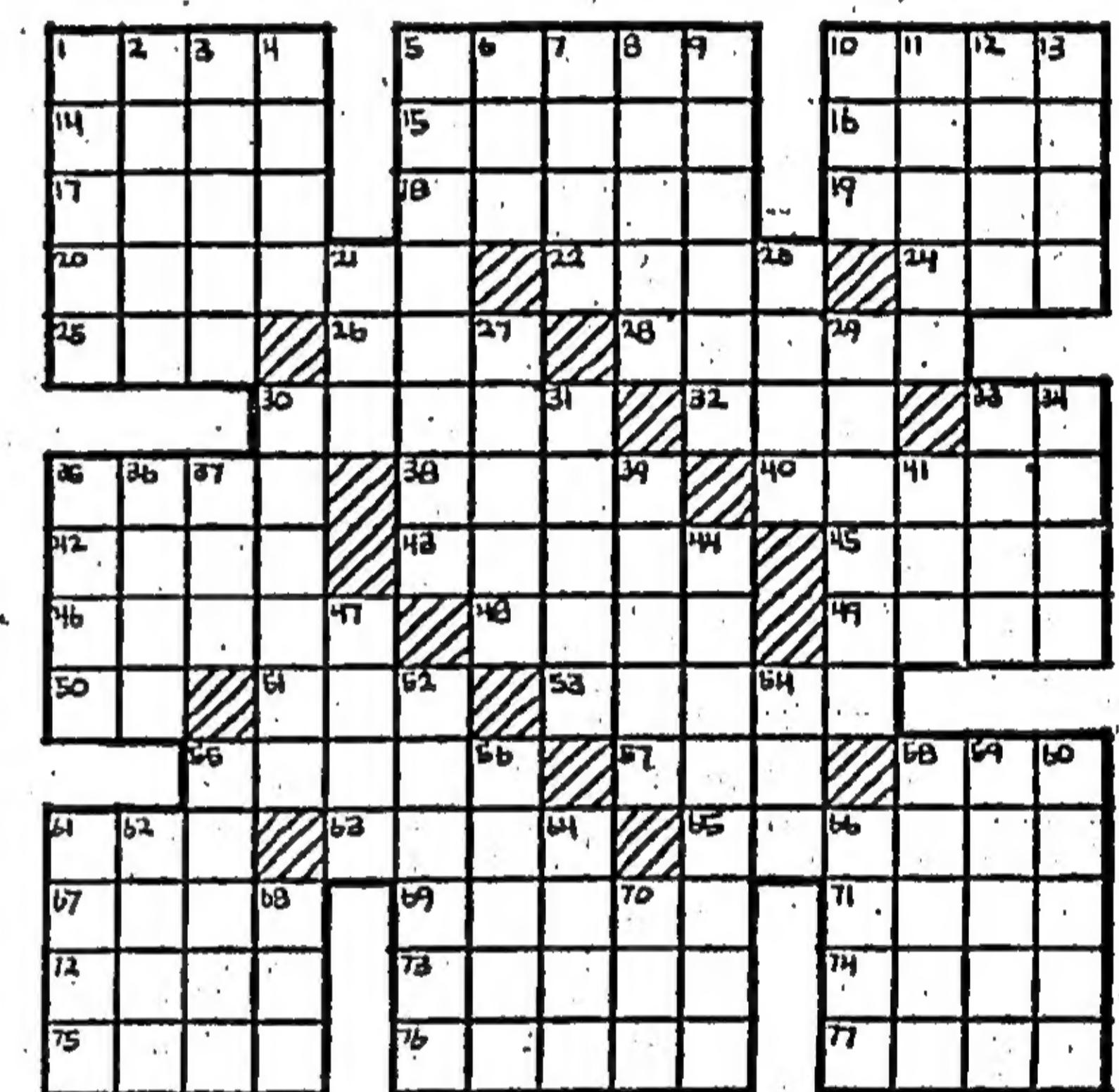
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ACROSS
1-Take place of
striker (island)
4-Mill of wind
10-Offspring of mare
and donkey
15-American
mammal
16-Decompose surly
for
17-Lethargy, (pl.)
18-Pitcher handle
19-Name of
22-Gummon to court
(scor. law)
24-Very warm
25-Lamur
26-Name of nerve
30-Lost color
32-Cube used in
dice game
33-First king of Israel
34-Of scorpion main
35-Pineapple (Spanish)
36-Name of tone
37-Moody and silent
38-Paradise
39-Name of
Patron saint of
sailors
40-Airplane liquid
43-Cigar: erroneous
spelling
45-Swinging boles
47-Uter
48-River in Poland
49-Ancient Irish clan
50-Oscillating
cow-table

DOWN
1-Wear away
5-Press
7-Hedge (Latin)
9-Shrub of nettle
11-Name of assent
13-Drift
15-Man who ate no fat
17-Name of
Wealthy
19-Birth of March in
21-Cain's brother
23-Anatomy, brain
24-Religious
25-Religious
27-Hurries

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NEW CALL TO ARMS

A DEEPER appreciation of the shocking and terrifying destruction which the Nazis Luftwaffe is causing to London and other cities in Britain is offered in the decision of the British Government to invoke a plan for the general mobilisation of fire watchers—in other words, the enforced use of perhaps 50 per cent. of the entire nation.

It is a vital step; unhappily a very necessary one. The "fire raid" of Sunday last clearly has stirred the Government more than anything else in this war. The Huns have now revealed that they are prepared to attempt to destroy everything historical and beautiful they can reach with their bombs; they are carrying total war to its ultimate stage.

Mr Herbert Morrison, when announcing the compulsory scheme, found it necessary to include a rebuke in his statement. "In more cities than one some of you have failed your country. This must never happen again," he declared. These are stern words, and possibly convey more than Mr Morrison intended they should. Few, if any, in Hongkong have had first-hand experience of modern raids, carried out as they are by the Nazis with all their insensate brutality and utter disregard for place or person; yet what little has been seen here through the cinema has been sufficient to excite the imagination and to set one wondering how the people at home have been able to stand it as they have. Furthermore, the authenticated stories of heroism by the various voluntary fire-fighting and war services in England are sufficient to show that, by and large, there has been a wonderfully concerted effort to thwart Hitler's attempts to destroy and terrorise.

Mr Morrison's words must not be taken so much as an indictment as an urgent appeal. It is possible that someone blundered last Sunday when so many famous and historical buildings were laid waste; but this cannot be laid at the door of the average man and woman in England; their efforts hitherto have been too splendid to warrant such an indictment. What it means is that from henceforth, Britain generally must

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THE German-Italian Japanese pact ought to make clear to Americans, if there are any who still need convincing, that this is no European war, but a world revolution for the redistribution of the entire planet. That's what it was intended to be in the beginning; that's what it is; and in the nature of things it is directed as much against the United States as against anybody else.

Had the Battle of Britain succeeded in the autumn, by a few weeks' blitzkrieg after the pattern of France, then Japan probably would not have been invoked at this moment.

With the citadel of the British Empire in Axis hands, the Near Eastern and Far Eastern possessions and Commonwealth members could have been cleaned up between the three Axis partners.

Now, by the roundabout route of Japan, Germany and Italy manage to send what amounts to an ultimatum to the United States.

If the U.S.A. moves in Europe or joins the war on the side of any Axis enemy, all three Powers regard her as an enemy.

If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being.

THE Battle for Britain is not a battle for an over-crowded scrap of geography.

The Battle for Britain is the Battle for the Atlantic Ocean, just as the Battle for France with Britain was the Battle for the Mediterranean and the sea-ways to Africa, the Near East and Asia.

We are to be allowed to trade exclusively with Europe—which needs some of our products—and with South America, where, far from having a "Sphere of Influence," we are to be apportioned "quotas."

We are to be allowed to trade only through a monopolistic import-export Syndicate, to be set up for the whole continent of Europe, necessitating the end of individual trading in this country and the establishment of a similar government monopoly here.

We shall be invited to stabilise our currencies together with Japan, Russia and pan-Fascist Europe, and merge the banking systems; but Germany will keep the rubber mark for merchandise and tourist trade.

The debts of all Germany's vassals will be recognised in principle, but will be paid in goods.

For Latin America, which lives by exports, this system will mean economic strangulation or collaboration, and we shall eventually have the Axis at our gates.

The U.S.A. needs Allies. It needs them immediately and desperately. We ought to reverse our limited thinking.

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If Britain is defeated, we shall be alone against the world. Invaded or not invaded, we shall live on the terms of the conquerors and be back where we were in 1776.

Finally, America's defence programme is utterly inadequate. It will not be adequate until we recognise a state of emergency and mobilise the entire man power, machine power, and money power of the country for defence, letting everything else take second place.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



United States Stands or Falls With Britain

By

Dorothy Thompson

war aims really are is ingeniously revealed by Dr Schacht, who is writing down a blueprint for the new World Germanica, in a book to be published at the right moment.

Dr Schacht announces quite simply that the real objects of this war are the breaking of the "plutocracies"—namely, Great Britain and the United States.

THE Japanese angle reveals itself in the plan that after this war the United States is to have no interests whatsoever, commercial or otherwise, in the Pacific.

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

Australian Griffins In Demand

Recent Auction Of New Ponies Arouses Great Local Interest

THE RECENT AUCTION SALES of 41 imported Australian griffins (to be raced in Spring) under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club proved a great success, and the Stewards must have been quite satisfied with the response shown by the eagerness of owners to bid as each lot was parading in the ring.

It was the first and greatest undertaking of its kind by any Racing Club in the Orient and I cannot help remarking that the success will not only provide good racing but will ensure an established class of ponies for the future. A salient feature of the auction was that the Hongkong Jockey Club made a huge profit in the enterprise, and, furthermore, members of the Club were content with their purchases.

The Club stipulated a limit of \$1,250 per Griffin, but it is interesting to state that only one lot (No. 24 by Weatherwise) was knocked down at the upset price to Mr T. K. Li, who has named the pony Odin.

The highest price was \$8,100 for a brown mare (No. 6 by Dignus by Dignity by Galbraith out of Lady Mecca by Taocot from Device by Woarak) and the pony is now named Gloaming and belongs to Mr Eu Tong-sen.

The second highest bid was \$8,000 paid by Mr Li Lan-sang for a bay gelding (No. 28 by Far by Farman from Dame Perleote out of Bounty by Buckwheat by Martagon or from Tiger Lily) and the owner wants his new purchase (a brother to Far View and Sapper, the two outstanding ponies of 1940) to be known as Distant View.

A good few animals fetched \$3,000 and over, but the average price of the 41 animals worked out at \$2,746 each, and the Club came out of the buying pan with a new profit of \$1,500 per moke.

Prejudice Routed

THERE was at one time, without fear of any contradiction, a certain amount of prejudice against Australian ponies owing to the fact that they could not stand much racing. But owners are now realising that the cobs from the Antipodes are hardy, and the percentage of those appearing on the "walking list" has been much less than the cross-breds from North China.

It is my humble opinion that the failure to supply China pony subscription griffins by the Russian dealers for last year's racing was a blundering in disguise.

However, Hongkong will know in future where to find good substitutes without approaching the "Government" for export permit, and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

There was no doubt that a good few griffins at the auction were bought on their pedigrees, but the Club accepted no responsibility for wrong description.

In perusing the catalogue issued by the club, I found that Griffin No 28 has "good blood," the dam being Bounty by Buckwheat by Martagon by Bend Or from Tiger Lily. It will therefore be seen that Distant View is the only pony that has a bit that famous Bend Or's blood.

Eleven New Events For Australian Griffins At Annual Meet

The programme for Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be held at Happy Valley on February 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, contains eleven races for an entirely new class of pony, the Australian Griffins, a number of which were imported by the Jockey Club and 41 of them were sold at private auctions to members of the Club last October.

These races are the Austral Valley Stakes, the Austral Maldon Stakes and the Austral Trial Plate on the first day; Austral Black Rock Stakes and Austral Derby on the second day; the Chater Cup and Austral Racing Stakes on the third day; the Austral Hopeful Stakes and Austral Grand Stakes Stakes on the fourth day and the Caulfield Stakes and Yarra Stakes on the fifth and final day.

There are 19 events limited to the Australia Subs of 1941 of which 13 were drawn as against 62 last year.

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HISTORY OF THE BEND OR SIRE-LINE

Strain That Dominates World's Thoroughbreds

QUITE RECENTLY the writer came across an interesting subject "The Bend Or Sire-Line" by "Roynton" in one of the London magazines of 1939 and I am sure the reproduction of that article in this column will be a pleasant reading not only to owners but to men of the turf as well. Hereunder is the story:

It may sound extraordinary, but it is nevertheless a fact that the sire-line (the top line in a pedigree) descending from Bend Or practically dominates the thoroughbreds of the world. In this country it most commonly descends via Bona Vista, Cyllene, Polymelus and Phalaris; in France and America via Ormonde, Orme, Flying Fox, Ajax and Teddy; last year in England, 125 direct descendants of this famous horse, sired 546 winners of 861 races carrying £270,600 out of a total of 1,534 winners of 2,300 races that carried £824,010 in stakes and—all this from an equine batch whose grandam was purchased as a lady's hack for 18 guineas.

Now for the story. In 1875 the recently-created first Duke of Westminster paid £14,000, which in those days was an almost unprecedented price, for a horse called Doncaster. Bred at Sledmore and blessed (?) with the name of All Heart and No' Peel, he was bought as yearling by a Mr Merry for 950 guineas, and after having his name changed, won the Derby, the Ascot Gold Cup, the Alexandra Plate and other races of £7,510, before being sold by Mr Merry to his trainer, Robert Peck for £10,000 and passed on a day or two later, to the Duke of Westminster at the figure mentioned, and sent to the Eaton Stud, near Chester, where he stood as a stallion at a fee of 100 guineas and a guinea the groom.

At the time of his arrival at Eaton there was a mare there called Rouge Rose, and the mating between the two, as might be expected, resulted in BEND OR; but Rouge Rose cannot be left at that.

Bought for 18 Guineas

IN 1852 a Colonel Pearson, later to become a General, was looking out for a mare for his wife and came across a twelve-year-old mare with a foal at foot, belonging to the then Duke of Grafton, and bought them for 18 guineas and 12 guineas, respectively.

The mare was named Ellen Horne; the foal, Paradigm. The latter, who ran twice, bred ten winners of £60,417 for Colonel Pearson; among them being the triple-crown winner, Lord Lyon; the One Thousand Guinea and St Leger heroine, Achievement; the Cambridgeshire winner, Gardesville; Cheviot, the dam of the Oaks vintress, Jannette; and Paraffin, the direct ancestress of twenty-two classic winners that include such as Ladras, Cicero, Vaucluse, Saucy Sue, Book Law and St Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

COLORADO is dead, as is Fairway's brother, Pharos, but the mare is the most prolific one in the stud-book with present-day sires was made through Polymelus, a good handicapper with the Duke of York Stakes and the Cambridge-shire to his credit, who became responsible for the war-time Derby winners, Pommera and Flissina; for the Epsom Derby winner, Humorist, and for Phalaris another good handicapper, who begat, among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Mannan, and the St Leger winner, Fairway.

This season Blue Peter has put the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby to its credit, and Pharos has done it further honour through victories in the French Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

All credit must go to Bend Or, but the smaller breeders would do well to remember his ancestry;

the poor and the rich have the same chance when the breeding of bloodstock is the main theme;

there are still Ellen Horne and Aspera to be found; there has

sold some better time for the bloodstock industry.

From the catalogue of the Hongkong Jockey Club there are a few names traced down from such famous horses as Cyllene (a horse who was deprived of classic successes through infestation of entry), Polymelus, Flying Fox and Cicero (son of Cyllene).

They will, of course, be seen in action at the Spring meeting and it is to be hoped that all of them will uphold the dignity of their ancestors.

Stanford Win Rose Bowl Classic

PASADENA, Jan. 1 (UPI)—Stanford University emerged triumphantly from their American Football Rose Bowl classic against Nebraska, winning to-day by 21 points to 13 before an enormous crowd.

SPLENDID CRICKET ON THE CLUB GROUND

Century By T. G. C. Knight And "Fireworks" From R. H. Griffiths

(By "R. Abbit")

IF WE GET many days for cricket like that on New Year's Day in 1941 there will be no complaints. It was perfect cricket weather—bright sun and a fresh breeze blowing.

Club and Wanderers agreed to play twelve-a-side, and the latter team took first knock on what seemed to be an excellent pitch.

Grose and Coombes opened to Baker and Perry, but after Coombes had snicked Baker dangerously for four and two in the first over, he was bowled by the first ball of the second, which seemed to come up from leg. 7-1-6.

Here, however, Club success ceased as Alec Pearce and Grose played the bowing with confidence. Perry seemed to be swinging across from the off, and Baker coming in from leg, which is not his usual habit.

At 25, Baker was relieved by Knight, and the first time Pearce played a bad shot was when he sent the 40 up with a snap past first slip's right hand. It was bad luck on Perry who was bowling well. At this period only 44 runs had been scored in 50 minutes.

Richardson Bowls

AT 40, Ride, no doubt in an attempt to break up the stand, put on Richardson. I suppose you can choke a cat with cream.

Anyways, 13 came off the first over, though I thought it unlikely to make him field long leg when there were some upstanding young fellows in the slips.

The separation came from the other end, as Knight sent down a beauty that just chipped Pearce's pads and went on to his wicket. It came back a lot from the off. 63-2-37.

Richardson's next over was treated with the respect due to a Verity or Grimmitt, and only one run came from it. The next over Knight bowled Swyer, 71-3-2.

He took a rest after this, and Baker went on again at the Yard end. Perry also resumed, and his first ball clean bowled Skipwith, 92-4-8.

There was a quiet spell, and Gross seemed to be set for a big innings when he lifted an on-drive from McLellan (who had relieved Baker) and the latter fielded wide mid-on—shot up his right hand and brought off a wonderful catch. 100-5-37.

As a matter of fact, I am doubtful whether we were the more surprised—the fieldsmen, the batsman or the spectators.

A Six—But Trouble Later

AWRENCE had been suspiciously quiet for some time, and I was not surprised when he opened up a bit and hit Perry nearly into the Hongkong Bank. A pretty cut for a couple and a mock to square-leg for four came from McLellan's next over, but just as one was hoping for fireworks, he sliced one from Haynes (on for Perry) and when the ball eventually came down the bowler caught it. 116-6-14.

Two runs later Head cut McLellan hard and the catch was smartly taken at second slip by Haynes. 118-7-4.

The batsmen then settled down and Denyer dealt very faithfully with some very bad bowling. It was possibly post-prandial!

Batting Gloves

THE score got up to 150 and then Denyer got rather a nasty smack on the hand. From the way in which he lies down so much to hit the ball he is particularly likely to get hit about the hands, and he really ought to wear gloves. It is easy to learn—much easier than learning to wear one's dentist's teeth—and after a bit there is no handicap.

At 162 he cocked a half-hit one to Ride at mid-off off Knight. 102-3-28.

The wicket had put on 44 runs.

Scoring Continues

ALLANSON (I am told his name should be spelt Allison, but the skipper spelt it the other way) was batting very steadily. I have not seen him before, but he is a bat with some very nice strokes.

At this point, Club appeared to have completely lost control of the game. However, at 189 Dewar hit a very bad ball from McLellan to Bonquet at cover, who judged the catch well. 180-0-0.

Just after, Allanson was palpably caught at first slip by Haynes off Knight and was on his way to the Pavilion when something happened and he went back.

A few balls later, Bailey was lb.w. 192-10-1.

And then McLellan bowled Allanson who had a go. 192-11-28.

Between the innings I found out

Golf

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The first Golf competition for the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund (a prize for which was presented anonymously) was won by G. M. Park (10) and G. Thompson (20), who tied with three up each and will play off. The former played over the Old Course and the latter over the New.

Other scores over the Old Course were W. S. Miller (10) and L. R. Andrews (3), two up; Major W. G. Harvey (10), S. L. Lloyd (10) and J. Harrop (10), one up. There were numerous scores of all-square.

Other scores over the New Course were F. N. Merritt (10), Lt-Col E. D. Matthews (10) and T. McCarty (9) two up; Capt. A. C. Drew-Wilkinson (10), S. L. Lloyd (10), G. N. Tate (22) and J. H. B. Lee (11), one up; and numerous scores of all-square.

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sticks, and was given out lb.w. 181-3-48.

At 510, the winning hit was made, and the Club won by 7 wickets. The game, however, continued, and Bailey was given the ball at the Law Courts end, but he could not find a length.

Lawrence, with six men festooned around the boundary, went on for Coombes.

Mostly it was singles, but Knight's one gave him his century. He had taken two hours to get his runs.

Stumps were drawn with the score 236 for 3 wickets.

Remarks

THE highlight of the match was Knight's century in which he hit sixteen 4's. One of the most attractive displays was Griffiths' innings, which was one of fine forcing cricket at a time when runs were needed.

For the losers, Pearce and Grose gave the impression that they were in for a big stand though the bowling was never loose, and they had to play defensive cricket. But once they were gone, only Allison—or is it Allanson?—seemed to get on top of the bowling, though Denyer played a good offensive knock and hit well. The latter did not go on to bowl as his finger was damaged when hitting.

The Wanderers' bowling was weak, and the Club, for whom I have often said, the Civil Services bowl much better than their own Club, were distinctly better in that department.

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Girl Wife's Bigamy After Separation

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Prosecuting counsel said she was first married in 1936, but in 1937 there was a separation. In February, 1940, she formed an attachment for Charles Henry Cartidge and went through a form of marriage with him, describing herself as a spinster.

While she was away, the second husband made some inquiries, and when he taxed her with a previous marriage, she said she had had a divorce.

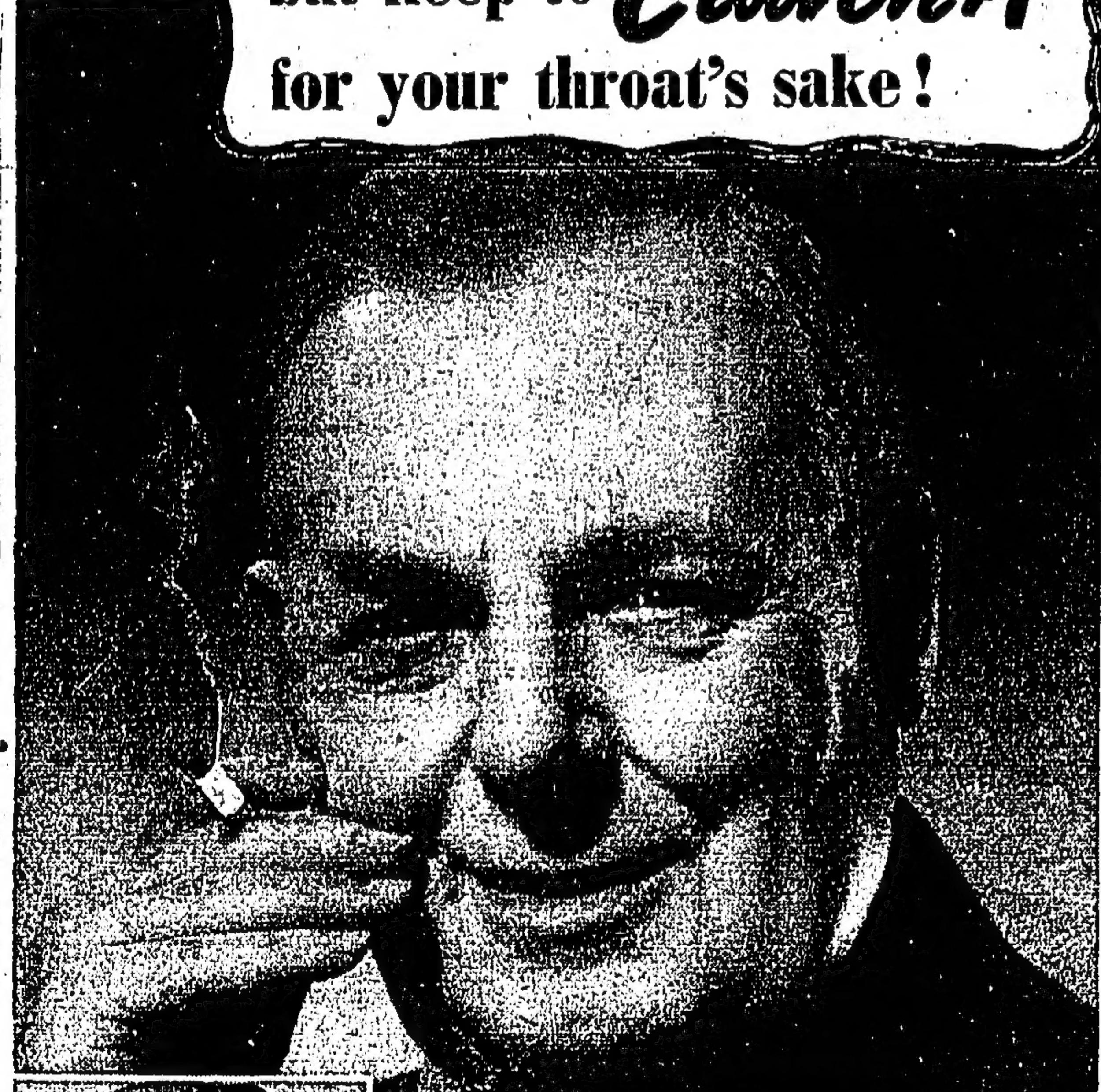
Thought She Was Free

Proceedings had been entered for divorce, but it was not until June this year, after the second "marriage," that the case was heard.

In her defence it was pointed out that her first husband left her, and in March, 1939, she received notice of divorce proceedings. She heard nothing more for 12 months and thought she was free.

Mr Justice Oliver, binding her over, said the accused was now little more than a girl, and at the time of the first marriage little more than a child.

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Inadequacy Of The K'loon Bus Service

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effort to cope with the situation. They had already petitioned Government for permission to purchase for the duration of the war American-made vehicles for the purpose of replacement and enlargement of their present fleet of buses, and although this petition had been sent in some time ago, nothing had yet been heard in reply, consequently the ordering or purchase of such vehicles was held up.

The Company had also again appealed to Government to allow them to use "double-deck" vehicles on the main routes, in the same way as has been sanctioned on the Island; two chassis for "double-deck" bodies were actually in hand, and one of them with a frame-work body fitted to it had recently been tested on the road by the traffic department.

Something Should Be Done

Some pungent remarks were made at the meeting regarding the apparent helplessness of the Bus Company to effect any practical means for coping with the situation, and it was emphasized that whatever quarter was responsible for the impasse, it was essential that something should be done to remove the constant and continued irritation to the residents of Kowloon, which the inadequate bus service involved.

It was pointed out that the failure to provide for the replacement of unseizable vehicles in due time, not only detrimentally affects the interests of the Bus Company themselves, but also gives rise to a grave danger of the transport services on the peninsula being seriously dislocated in the near future, in a situation which might have vital repercussions in the event of an emergency. As the question generally is of paramount public importance, it was decided to draw the attention of Government to the matter.

Other business dealt with at the meeting was of a routine nature. Those present were—Mr Lam Ming-fan, President; Mr D. W. Munton, Vice-President; Mr F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr S. G. Kirby-Gomes, Major C. M. Manners, Lt Col E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, Messrs Li Pestoni, D. O. Silver, J. N. Sweetney, C. E. Terry, and D. Wylie. Apologies for absence were received from Hon. Mr Leo D'Almada e Castro, Rev. J. R. Higgins, Mr I. N. Murray and Mr R. A. da Silva.

LATE NEWS

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KING MICHAEL kissing his mother, Queen Helen, on her arrival in Rumania after years of exile. She arrived at the frontier station.

The First Bombs Of New Year

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One British Vickers-Wellington was brought down.

Lone Dawn Raider

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The very slight enemy air action to-day has been confined to the coastal districts.

An Air Ministry communiqué states that little damage and only a few minor casualties were caused by bombs which were dropped in a town in Kent.

Reports received since this morning's communiqué, it is added, show that a small number of persons were killed when a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs in a town in the west of England shortly before dawn this morning.

Italy Retires From Battle Of Britain

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Mussolini has been forced to accept. It is well-known that Mussolini has always been most reluctant to accept much German "support."

If it comes to attempting to explain the matter away, the Italians will probably try to suggest that it is merely *quo pro quo* for the assistance given by Italy to Germany by sending some Italian planes to Belgium for attacks on Britain.

It looks as if an effort is being made to break the news gently to the Italian public and to prepare them for the presence of large German strengths on Italian soil.

RED ARMY CHANGE

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (Reuter)—General Shvidko, Deputy Commissar of Defense, has been relieved of his post.

In it is alleged that German influence existed in Portugal.

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R.A.F. TURN BREMEN INTO RAGING FURNACE WITH 20,000 BOMBS

LONDON, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—TWENTY THOUSAND INCENDIARIES AND A LOAD OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON BREMEN DURING THE FIRST HOUR OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S FIERCE BOMBING RAID BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, TURNED THE GREATEST SEAPORT IN GERMANY—AFTER HAMBURG—INTO A RAGING FURNACE.

INTENSE RAIDS ON BARDIA

Smashing Blows By R.A.F.

LONDON, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—Royal Air Force raids on Bardia and Derna, and aerodromes in Timi and Gazala, are announced in a communiqué issued by R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East.

All bombs at Bardia burst in the target area but details of the damage were not observed.

In Italian East Africa, the Rhodesian squadron destroyed a number of buildings near Sabratah while other aircraft of the same squadron made a dive attack on enemy positions in Kufra 50 miles east-north-east of Kassala, destroying motor transport vehicles, starting a very large fire and silencing several A.A. guns.

From all operations all British aircraft returned safely.

Guns From Sidi Barrani

CALIRO, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—Guns captured in the battle for Sidi Barrani and during the advance into Libya total 322 and include 20 heavy and 48 light A.A. guns, states today's communiqué.

The Italian garrison at Bardia shows no signs of activity and is allowing British forces to continue preparations and concentrations without any interference.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts.

Italians Quiet

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (UP).—The General Headquarters communiqué states: "The Italians at Bardia show no signs of activity. The captured guns now total 322 including 20 heavy and light guns."

Meat Ration Reduced

In Britain

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Ministry of Food announced that the meat ration which is now 1s. 10d. per week will be reduced to 1s. 6d. effective next Monday.

A severe meat shortage developed in London to-day with some butchers being forced to close their shops because their supplies were exhausted, while other shops announced that their customers would be allotted only 7d. to 1s. 1d. worth of meat, depending on the supplies.

The unprecedented Christmas rush, as well as the distribution and transportation difficulties are blamed for the shortage.

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As the long procession of aircraft of the Bomber Command reached the Zuider Zee on their way to follow up the first attacks, they could see a red glow in the sky over Bremen although still 120 miles from their target.

Smoke from the fires reached as high as the clouds and mingled with them, and pilots found the targets they had been detailed to attack so thoroughly ablaze that rather than waste the bombs on buildings already gutted they sought other factories and dockyards in the city.

Armaments Assailed

It was an intensely cold clear night, and a young moon clearly lit up the targets, chief of which were the great shipbuilding yards in which warships of all kinds, and especially submarines, are under construction, the Deutsche Vacuum Oil refineries, railway communications, warehouses, rice and starch mills, and the Focke-Wulf air frame factory.

To defend Bremen, the Germans used all the ground defences they could muster and the R.A.F. pilots reported formidable anti-aircraft fire.

Holland Bombed

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Channel Ports Hit

LONDON, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—Flashes and flares in the sky and muffled explosions from the direction of the French coast to-night indicated that R.A.F. bombers had braved the icy weather conditions in the Straits of Dover-to-attack again the German invasion ports.

Many searchlights between Calais and Boulogne probed the heavy banks of low clouds.

HONGKONG PAYS UP

Salaries Tax Revenue Exceeds Expectations

"The revenue from taxation on salaries has exceeded expectations, but we are still very much in the dark as regards taxation on profits etc," stated Mr A. G. Clarke, Commissioner for War Taxation this morning to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The first assessments were sent out last June, these being confined to a few individuals who were leaving the Colony.

The department commenced to function on April 1, 1940 with a section staff of eight clerks. Two examiners arrived shortly afterwards from Ceylon and these were later joined by three others, but the department is still short of two examiners, who are expected to arrive any day from Home.

"We are making fair progress and have experienced surprisingly little trouble in the collection of taxation. There has been good deal of public co-operation," he concluded.

The Bulgarians estimated there were over 250,000 German troops in Rumania and another 250,000 in Hungary; however, reliable quarters close to the Axis said that there were nearly 600,000 German troops in Rumania.

Spitfire Funds

LONDON, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, to-day gratefully acknowledged:

£2,500 from the "Times of Ceylon" Spitfire Fund, which has now contributed about £60,000;

£5,000 from the B.B.C. staff for the purchase of a Spitfire to be named "Aerial."

BELGIAN PRIDE

LONDON, Jan. 1 (REUTER).—The Belgian army is firmly determined to fight at the side of her British friends and allies until final victory liberates Belgium and King Leopold.

M. Gutt, Belgian Minister of Defence, thus replies to the New Year Greetings sent to officers and men of the Belgian army by Capt. Margesson, British Secretary for War, on behalf of the Army Council.

The First Bombs Of New Year

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The first bombs of the new year crashed in the London area this morning. Heavy high explosives shone one business district. The raiders were heard in London for the first time a few minutes before midnight and the anti-aircraft guns opened up, then a single heavy bomb dropped.

The second night air raid had been without incident with only a single burst and desultory gunfire.

Elsewhere, the attacks were confined to a few fire-bombs in eastern England, although raiders were reported over several Midlands and northwestern points.

Meet Fierce Barrage

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—At 8.20 p.m. it is reported that German night raiders flew over an eastern town and met a fierce barrage. Incendiary bombs were dropped in another eastern town which also put up a barrage.

The night raid warnings were sounded in London at 7 p.m. with the anti-aircraft guns firing. At 8 p.m. raiders were over southwest and west England and south Wales.

German Version

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (UP).—The High Command stated that German planes last night successfully raided numerous important military objectives in central and southeastern England.

Yesterday one British outpost ship was set afire and another badly damaged by a direct bomb hit.

Last night British planes bombed factories at three places in northwest Germany, "causing some damage,"

as well as the distribution and transportation difficulties are blamed for the shortage.

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Prisoners, Aliens and Women Toil For Reich

LONDON, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—Facts regarding labour wartime conditions in Germany revealed by an official of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, show that despite dictatorial powers, the Nazi Government has not been able to achieve 100 per cent control of the workers' labour.

Wages are fixed and it is illegal for employers to pay more, but it appears that a tremendous amount of overtime is being worked. Hours in the factories vary between 10 and 12 daily and Government has been compelled to make concessions concerning overtime pay.

One of Germany's main problems will be transport and distribution and, with the effects of the British block-

regime has been organised by General Antonescu in Rumania during the past few days, according to the Istanbul correspondent of a Free French agency, who states that this Army Government appears to be superseding the former "Legionary State."

The correspondent bases his information on reports from responsible persons in Bucharest.

The Police, railways, post, telegraphs and even national banks have been placed under military jurisdiction with the secret assent of the Germans, who, at General Antonescu's request, have sent more troops to Rumania.

The correspondent adds that in Rumanian political circles it is considered that the present movements of German troops do not reach the high figures quoted abroad. They simply consist of a new German Division which will take several days to transport.

Internal Situation

"REUTER'S" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

RUMANIAN FRONTIER, Jan. 1 (REUTER).—The unhealthy internal situation in Rumania—wherein Communists and other left wing elements are coming into conflict with the Iron Guard—is the main reason for the drafting of more German troops into the country.

Such is the gist of reliable information obtained from Germany, from neighbouring Balkan capitals and from Bucharest itself.

Germany has not sent anything like a quarter of a million troops into Rumania, as reported in some quarters.

Allowing for replacements, the total strength of Nazi effective is believed to be about three divisions. Much of the sealed railway traffic passing through consists of wagons with armaments which are being sent to pay for Rumanian oil.

Preventing Sabotage

BERLIN apparently believes that three divisions are necessary to prevent sabotage of Nazi economic interests in Rumania and to another increasing agitation against the

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Metaxas' Message

ATHENS, Jan. 2 (REUTER).—"We begin 1941 resolved to fight to the last breath until the enemy has been exterminated," declared General Metaxas, the Greek Prime Minister, in a New Year message to the Greek people.

"We begin 1941 in the knowledge

that our struggle will be long and hard

and that we shall suffer, but we are determined that we will endure all

in order to bring our struggle to a

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Stabilising China's Currency

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP). Mr.

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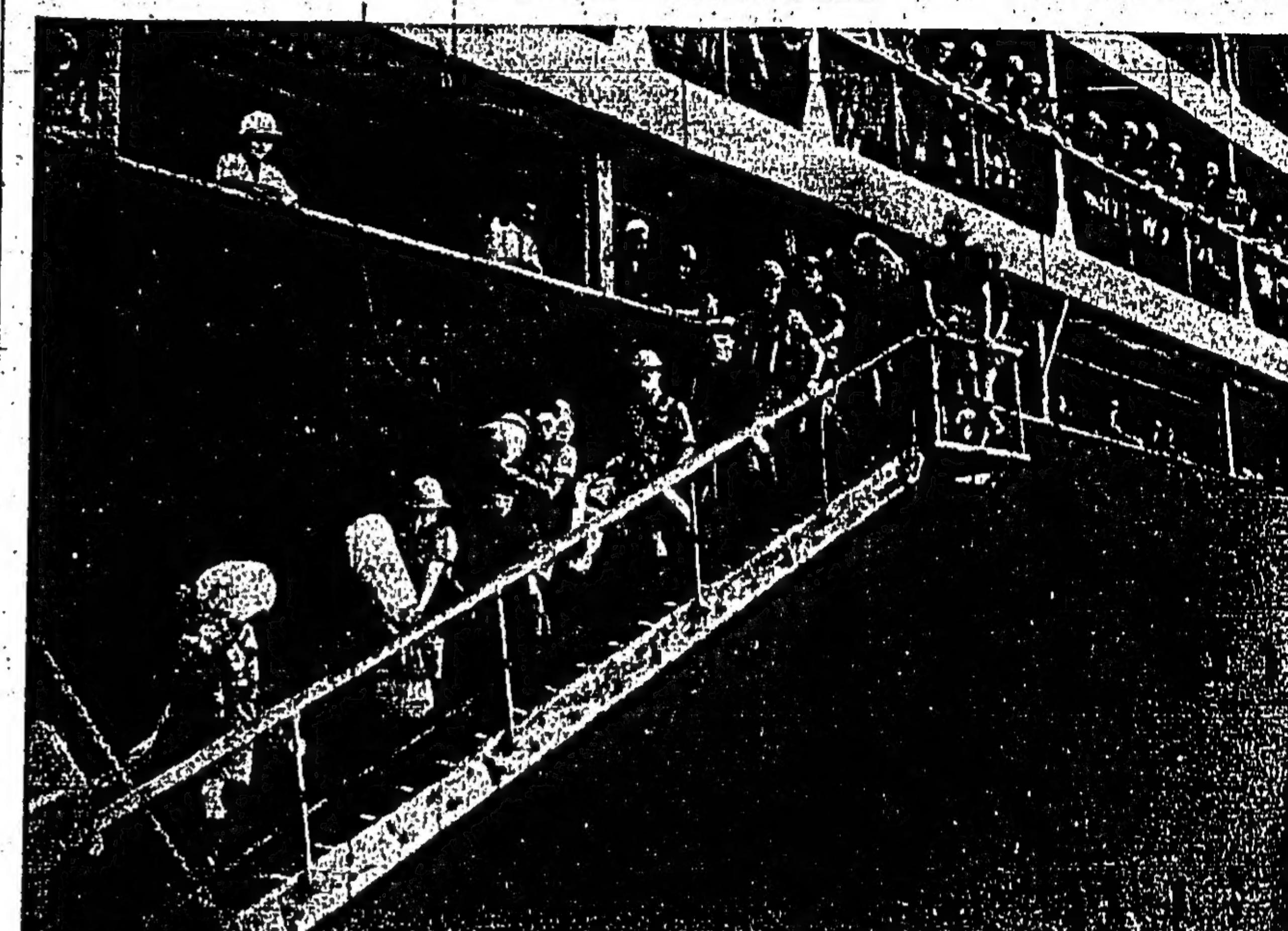
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DEMAND APOLOGY FROM JAPANESE

Firm Stand By U.S. Marines

PEIPING, Jan. 1 (REUTER).—A demand for a full apology by the Japanese for the incident which occurred in Peiping on Monday when some United States Marines were detained by Japanese police is being made by Col. S. H. Turnage, Commandant of the United States Marines here.

It is alleged that four Marines were beaten during their detention and two were forced to sign a confession of guilt. Col. Turnage is also demanding the punishment of the Japanese gendarmes and officers concerned in the arrests, and an assurance that similar acts will not occur in the future.

Failing such an assurance, he adds, the incident cannot be regarded as closed.

The trouble giving rise to the incident occurred in a cabaret in Peiping when it is alleged that a Japanese civilian attempted to pick a quarrel with one of a party of American guards at whom he pointed a revolver. The Japanese was disarmed by the Marines and later the place was surrounded by Japanese gendarmes who arrested the whole party of Americans and detained them.

The Commandant made repeated applications for their release, which took place 17 hours later. The Japanese authorities then declared the incident closed, but the Commandant disagreed, demanded a full apology and reported the incident to Washington.

LATEST

STRUGA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reports from the frontier say that the Greeks in the Telepin sector occupied the village of Uebani, capturing two Italian officers and 150 soldiers.

Reports regarding the Strada di Valona clash declare that the Greeks captured seven officers (including two majors) 450 soldiers, two light field guns and four machine-guns.

The Italians fled along the main road towards Valona. The pursuing Greeks reached the heights in the Keranuijai mountains, which skirt the coast as far as Valona Bay and dominate the valley.

Another Valona Raid

STRUGA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reports reveal that six Greek and British planes yesterday bombed and damaged the port works at Valona, hitting and setting fire to an Italian ship in the harbour.

The same planes then bombed the Italian barracks at Kanina, three and a half miles southeast of Valona, killing two officers and eleven soldiers, and wounding twenty others.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury" and "The Gondoliers."

1.30 Reuters—and—Rugby—Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 The London Palladium Orchestra and Gitta Alpar (Soprano). 2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque—London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

7.00 London Relay—The News, 7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 A Programme by Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Sam Browne (Vocal).

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Orchestre Napolitain and Deanna Durbin (Vocal)—Souvenir De Paupillou—Sermade Napolitaine, A Francaise—Napolitan Song, Orchestre Napolitan; Someone to Care for Me, II Bucio, Deanna Durbin (Vocal) with Orchestra; Napolitan Tarantelle, Chant De Sirne, Orchestre Napolitan; The Muids of Cadiz, My Own, Deanna Durbin (Vocal) with Orchestra; Note Sur Marc-Barcarolle, Orchestre Napolitan.

8.30 London Relay—Theatre Land," 9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Books and People."

9.45 Norman Long in a Humorous Variety Programme—in Our Village, A.R.P., New Kind Sergeant-Major, Norman Long, Up 'Aroun' The Old North Pole, What Can You Give a Nudist? Bertha Willmott with Orchestra; The Scoutmaster, John Tilley; Dennis, The Menace from Venice, My Young Man's Ever So Nice, Eddie Atherton with Orchestra; Seven Vamps, Dear Old Fashioned Thing, Norman Long with Piano.

10.15 Dance Music.
11.00 Close Down.

EVACUEES LOSES LIFE IN FIRE

A London evacuee, Pamela Gleeson, aged 9, and Dawn Lott, aged 7, lost their lives when the house of Mr. Reginald Lott, at Gopden Street, Egham, Middlesex, was burnt down. Both girls were sleeping.

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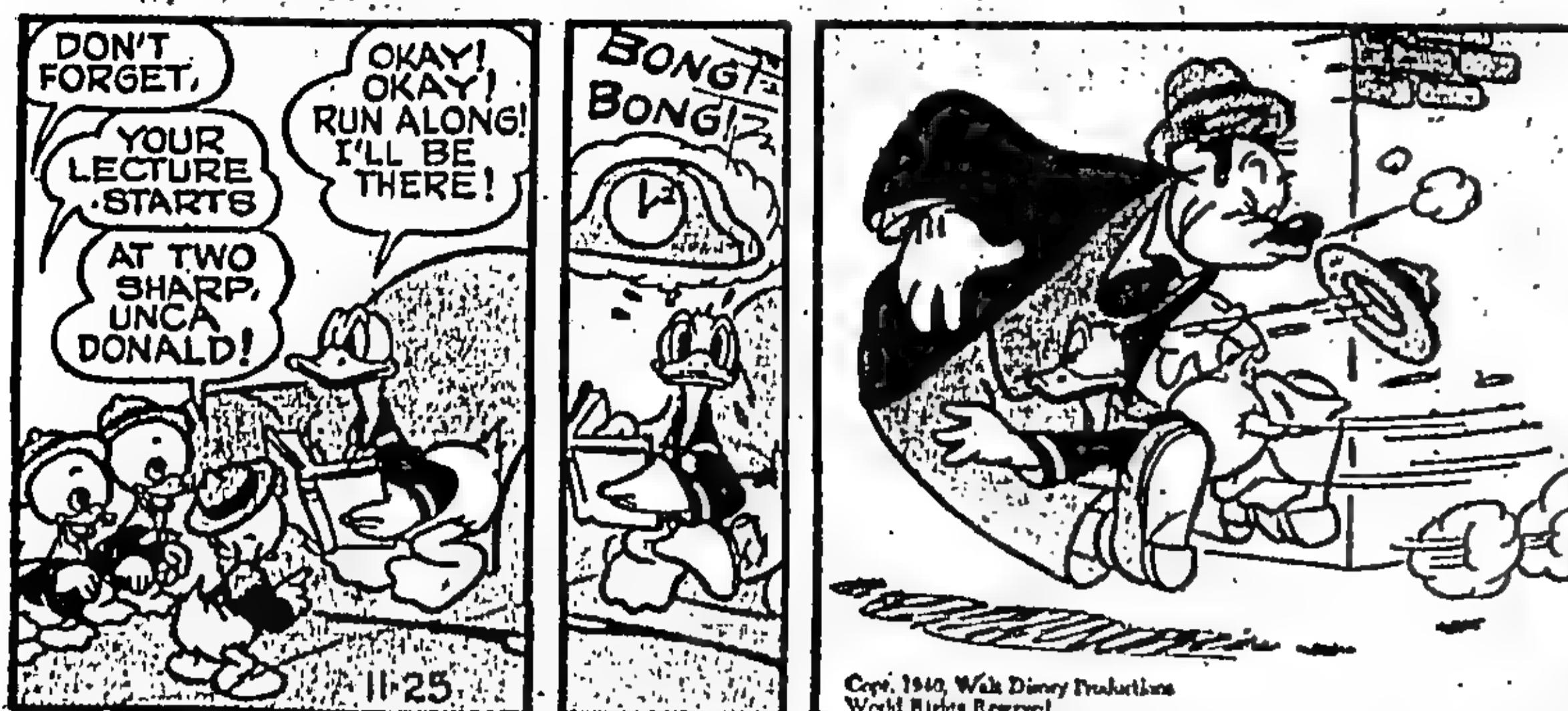
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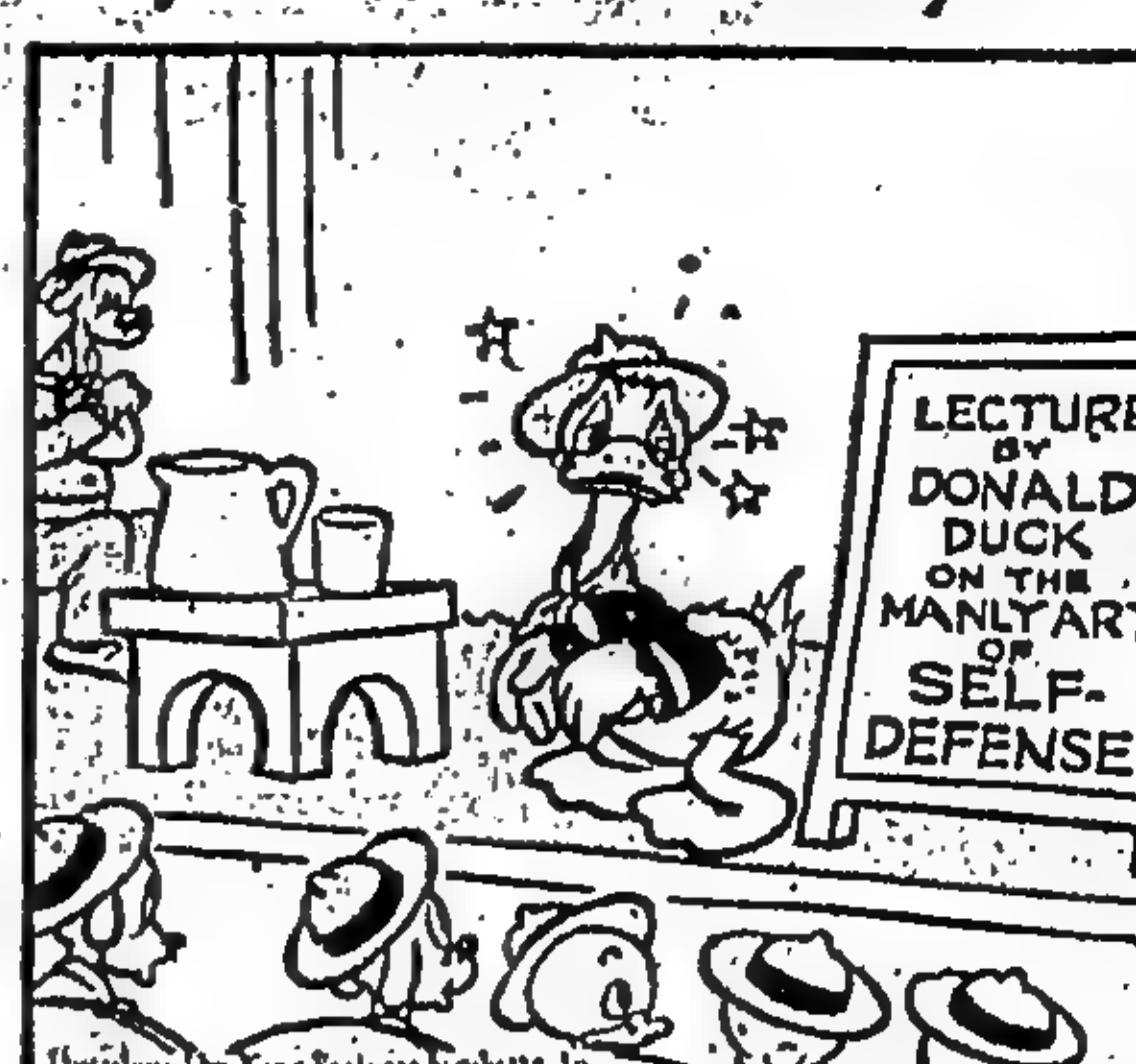
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In the first four chapters of his narrative, Fred Hockey, the St Peter Port harbour signaller, described how the Germans took possession of the Channel Islands after the British forces decided to evacuate. He continues his eye-witness account of the occupation in the following chapter. The story is recorded by

DUDLEY BARKER

"Socialism" For Channel Islanders

To prove that things would be better and happier under Hitler's New Order, the Germans gave the Channel Islands "Socialism" after they had been in occupation for a fortnight.

The German harbour master in Guernsey told Fred Hockey (and Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller who afterwards escaped to England, told me) that Hitler's idea was that there should be no rich or poor, and all men would be equal—except, of course, the Germans.

So it was duly announced in the Guernsey newspapers that henceforward all businesses would belong to the States of Guernsey (which, in turn, of course, though this was not emphasised, temporarily belonged to Germany).

It was not exactly compulsory to hand your business over to the States.

But if you did not, there was nobody in Guernsey who could afford any longer to buy your produce—you could not export it, and you could not draw enough money to pay your employees even if you had it in the bank.

So there was not much choice about it.

"For a week later," said Fred Hockey, "all wages on the island were regulated, too.

Fixed Wages

"It was announced that every single man who was employed—and the Germans saw to it that they were employed if only in forced labour on the airport—would draw 30s. a week from the States.

"Married men would get 38s. a week, with 1s. extra for each child up to the number of five, and 6d. extra for each child over that number.

"Foremen and people who previously owned their businesses received 2s. a week extra, and people with dependent relatives also got a bit more. For instance, my total came to £2 a week because I was a married man and had my daughter to support, although she was adult.

"It's surprising how quickly you can put that sort of organisation into force, providing nobody is allowed to express any opinion about it, and nobody is allowed to argue. They had it running in Guernsey in a few days.

Bank Control

"They appointed overseers for each district to go round and make sure that everybody was working properly.

"Then they set up local court officials in the schoolrooms in each parish to pay out the Government wages, which were collected each week by the foreman and owners of businesses."

"People of independent means were no better off, because, no matter how much they had in the bank, they were not allowed to draw out more than their 30s. or 38s. each week, although they did not have to do any work.

"That was why no man could carry on his private business—he could not get the money to pay his expenses. And the Germans, of course, wanted all businesses to be handed over to the States, so that they themselves could control them.

"Most of the Guernsey businesses were glasshouses for growing tomatoes or grapes. The Germans made the growers turn a lot of them over to other crops, particularly maize and beans. It was thought that they wanted the seed to send to Germany, for next year's sowing.

Taken In

"Now this idea of everybody having an equal income, even if it was rather a small income, sounded all right in theory, and some of the more ignorant people got taken in by it at first. I heard several of them say so, in the 'pubs' and sitting on the sea wall of an evening.

"But even those people soon began to realise that things did not work out quite the way they thought they would—everybody working everybody equal, everybody happy, and so on.

"To start with, the tradespeople soon discovered that everybody in the island did not have an equal income. The Germans had much more than anybody else.

"Now, I can't explain to you exactly how that was worked, because I've been just an ordinary sailor all my life, and I don't understand much about exchange rates, and things like that.

"But this is what happened.

"The Guernsey people were paid in Guernsey money—that is, the same as English money.

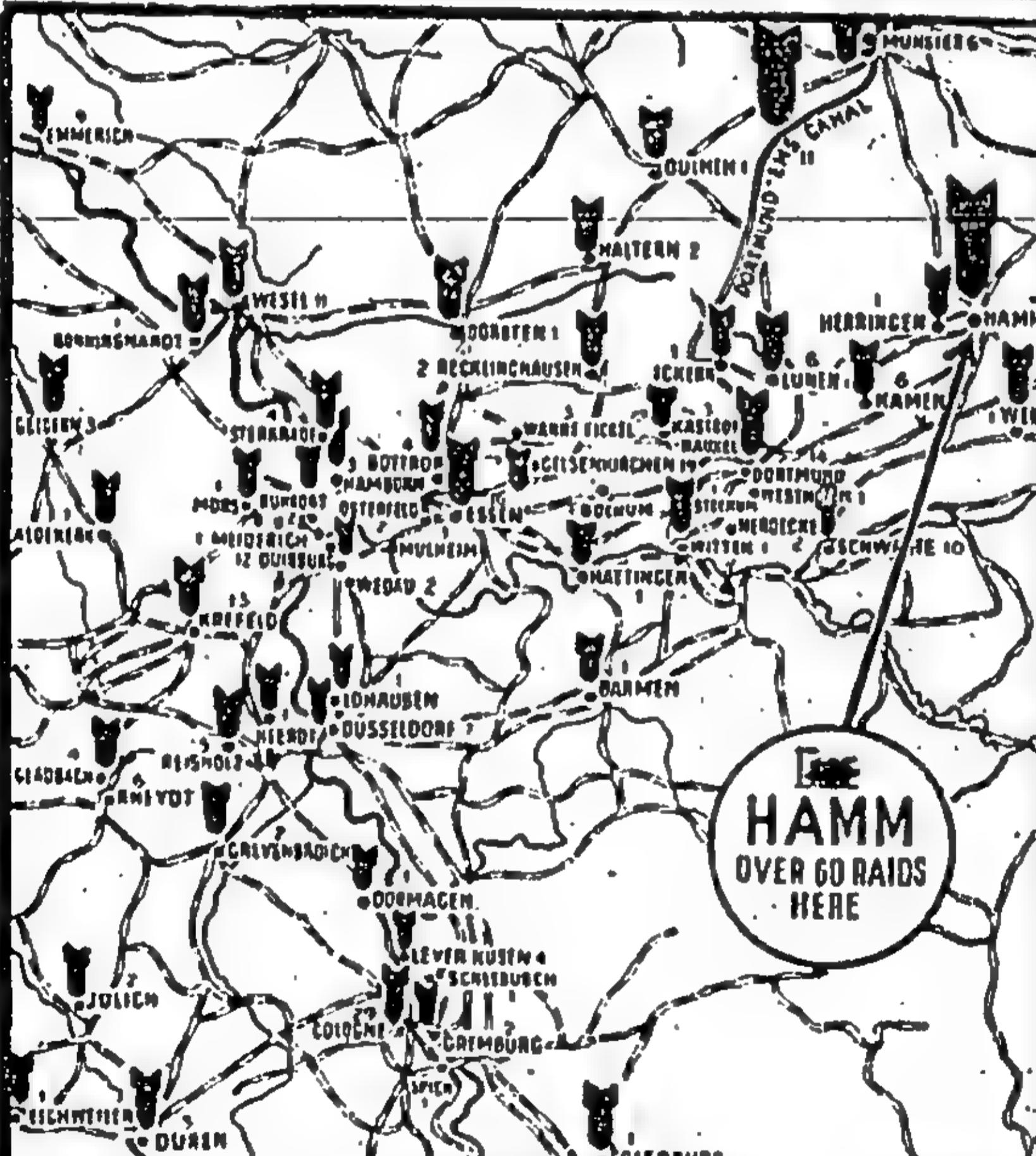
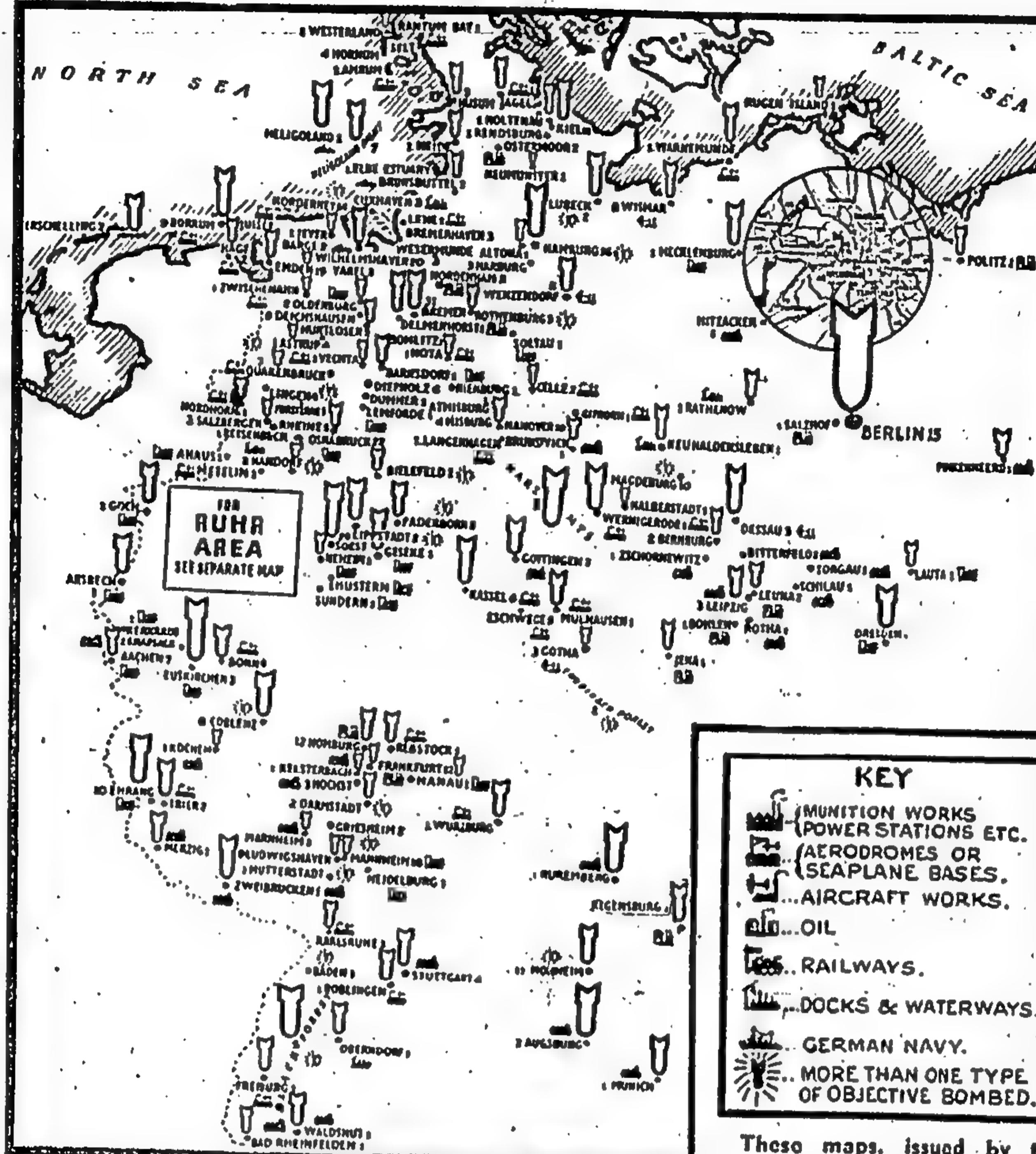
"At the same time the Germans flooded the island with German money. First of all it was marks they brought from Germany, but a week or two later they started printing them in Guernsey itself.

Nothing To Buy

"The Germans were paid in marks, and the Germans decided how many marks went to the Guernsey pound.

"That was money for jam. That way, it worked out that the German private soldiers were getting £3 a week in Guernsey money, and the N.C.O.s and officers, of course, were rich men.

"Then we began to find out that it didn't matter so much



what our incomes were, but it did matter if there were nothing to buy with them.

"Nothing was imported into the island for the use of the islanders, although the Germans got everything they wanted.

"Cigarettes, now. All the English cigarettes were soon exhausted, and we had to depend on small local cigarette factory, which, luckily, had a fair stock of tobacco. But when that stock is exhausted there will be no more cigarettes. Except, of course, for the Germans, who have their cigarettes sent in.

Wartered Beer

"It was the same with beer. There was a stock of beer in the island, but they would not bring any more in.

"They watered down what beer there was to make it go farther, and to make it almost undrinkable—but it is bound to come to

an end soon. In fact I should think it is probably about ended by now. That means the Guernsey men will get no more beer.

"Wines and spirits, of course, were commandeered on the first day and sent to Germany.

"It was rather funny that, at the same time, the Kommandant issued an order that there would be severe punishment for anybody found the worse for drink! That's one order the Guernsey men will never be able to disobey.

"This business of not being able to buy things applied to everything that had to be brought into the island—simply because the Germans were bringing nothing in, except for themselves.

"Shortly before I came away, for example, my daughter went out to try to buy some bananas. She was able to buy one. It cost her four pence.

"So we watched the result, week by week, of this great German Socialism, everybody equal, that they made such a fuss about in the Guernsey papers.

"They were closing because they had exhausted their stocks, they could not get any more, and they had nothing left to sell. Then the

Boycotted Girls

"Another amusement was the dances that were started in St George's Hall after the Germans had been in Guernsey for a couple of weeks. Quite a few of the local people went to those dances.

"Some of the girls, indeed, started walking out arm-in-arm with the Germans in the streets. I suppose it was natural, for the Germans were a smart looking lot, most of them could speak perfect English, and they were well behaved.

"But the Guernsey people never could tolerate it. The girls who were seen walking out with the Germans were banned everywhere. One of them was a friend of my daughter's and she had the impudence to come to my house.

"Clear out of this," I told her, when I found her there, "we don't want any German girls in this house. That was the attitude most of the island took towards these girls.

"Mind you, it is the girls we complained about, not the German soldiers. The Germans were under the strictest orders and discipline and, with one exception, they behaved perfectly."

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
1—Sound intended to frighten
6—Wine measure
8—Branch of dye
9—Maus snake-like
10—Arabian garment
11—Confection
12—Elevate
13—Taste
14—American mammal
15—Household fixture for
16—Folio
17—Lather (pl.)
18—Female horse
19—Summon to court
20—Scout law
21—Puff of smoke
22—Lost color
23—Cush used in
24—Gambler's game
25—Upon
26—First king of Israel.
27—Project
28—Sister
29—Of solemn main
30—Pineapple (Spanish)
31—Hunting dogs
32—Moody and silent
33—Paradise with wax
34—Patron saint of
35—Lieutenant
36—Harm
37—March
38—Wife away
39—Fence (Latin)
40—Shrub or brittle
41—Recipients of
42—French
43—Circles
44—Crosses
45—Years of life
46—Man who ate so fat
47—Harm
48—March
49—Hustle of March in
50—Human calendar
51—In anatomy, brain
52—Convulsions
53—Wealthy
54—Goddes of dawn
55—Cast forth

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NEW CALL TO ARMS

A DEEPER appreciation of the shocking and terrifying destruction which the Nazis Luftwaffe is causing to London and other cities in Britain is offered in the decision of the British Government to invoke a plan for the general mobilisation of fire watchers—in other words, the enforced use of perhaps 50 per cent. of the entire nation.

It is a vital step; unhappily a very necessary one. The "fire raid" of Sunday last clearly has stirred the Government more than anything else in this war. The Huns have now revealed that they are prepared to attempt to destroy everything historical and beautiful they can reach with their bombs; they are carrying total war to its ultimate stage.

Mr Herbert Morrison, when announcing the compulsory scheme, found it necessary to include a rebuke in his statement. "In more cities than one some of you have failed your country. This must never happen again," he declared. These are stern words, and possibly convey more than Mr Morrison intended they should. Few, if any, in Hongkong have had first-hand experience of modern raids, carried out as they are by the Nazis with all their insensate brutality and utter disregard for place or person; yet what little has been seen here through the cinema has been sufficient to excite the imagination and to set one wondering how the people at home have been able to stand it as they have. Furthermore, the authenticated stories of heroism by the various voluntary fire-fighting and war services in England are sufficient to show that, by and large, there has been a wonderfully concerted effort to thwart Hitler's attempts to destroy and terrorise.

Mr Morrison's words must not be taken so much as an indictment as an urgent appeal. It is possible that someone blundered last Sunday when so many famous and historical buildings were laid waste; but this cannot be laid at the door of the average man and woman in England; their efforts hitherto have been too splendid to warrant such an indictment. What it means is that from henceforth, Britain generally must

"If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being"

THE German-Italian Japanese pact ought to make clear to Americans, if there are any who still need convincing, that this is no European war, but a world revolution for the redistribution of the entire planet.

That's what it was intended to be in the beginning; that's what it is; and in the nature of things it is directed as much against the United States as against anybody else.

Had the Battle of Britain succeeded in the autumn, by a few

United States Stands or Falls With Britain

By

Dorothy Thompson

weeks' "blitzkrieg" after the pattern of France, then Japan probably would not have been in writing down a blueprint for the new World Germanica, in a book to be published at the right moment.

With the citadel of the British Empire in Axis hands, the Near Eastern and Far Eastern posses-

sions and Commonwealth members could have been cleaned up between the three Axis partners.

Now, by the roundabout route of Japan, Germany and Italy manage to send what amounts to an ultimatum to the United States.

If the U.S.A. moves in Europe or joins the war on the side of any Axis enemy, all three Powers regard her as an enemy.

We are to be allowed to trade exclusively with Europe—which needs some of our products—and with South America, where, far from having a "Sphere of Influence," we are to be apportioned "quotas."

THE Battle for Britain is not

a battle for an overcrowded scrap of geography.

The Battle for Britain is the Battle for the Atlantic Ocean, of individual trading in this just as the Battle for France and Britain was the Battle for the Mediterranean and the sea-ways to Africa, the Near East and Asia.

We shall be invited to stabilise our currencies together with Japan, Russia and pan-Fascist Europe, and Japan controls the Pacific from Asia, the United States will be penned in by the oceans and will be finished as a great Power. We shall either set up for the whole continent of Europe, necessitating the end of individual trading in this country and the establishment of a similar government monopoly here.

The debts of all Germany's vassals will be recognised in principle, but will be paid in war, and war alone, by ourselves.

For Latin America, which lives by exports, this system will mean economic strangulation or collaboration, and we shall eventually have the Axis at our gates.

The U.S.A. needs Allies. It needs them immediately and desperately. We ought to reverse our limited thinking.

It is not and never has been a question of whether the British Empire needs us; it is a question whether we need the British Empire. We do.

If Britain is defeated, we shall be alone against the world. Invaded or not invaded, we shall live on the terms of the conquerors and be back where we were in 1776.

Finally, America's defence programme is utterly inadequate. It will not be adequate until we recognise a state of emergency and mobilise the entire man power, machine power, and money power of the country for defence, letting everything else take second place.

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Down Lambeth Way-To-day

by G. R. STRAUSS

(Labour M.P. for Lambeth North)

From New York to New Guinea, Lambeth Walk is known to-day as a typical corner of Cockney London.

Like most other parts of the Metropolis—like, in fact, most urban districts in Britain—it has been bombed savagely.

In telling its story, then, Mr Strauss, whose constituency contains The Walk, is telling the story of all the great centres of population. For they are all the same. The accents may vary, but the talk of Lambeth Walk is the talk of the townsmen of Britain.

DO you remember the words of the song:—

"Everything free, and easy,
Do as you darn well please."

Of course the "Walk" is Lambeth always calls it, was in reality never a bit like that, and it certainly isn't a bit easy, and a thousand regulations prevent you doing "as you darn well please."

"Why don't you make your way there,
Go there, stay there"

There's nothing to prevent you making your way there, and if you care to know what the "Walk" is like to-day, I invite you to do so in my company. I doubt, though, whether you will want to stay there.

THEN AND NOW

But you must first know what the "Walk" was like before the war.

A long, narrow, rather mean street, lined with shops and stalls, where the neighbouring housewives did their marketing because the goods were cheap and one was bound to meet a friend or two with whom to gossip.

The "Walk" was a social and shopping centre of a poor working-class district. Only on Saturday nights did it come near to the colourful and glamorous place of the song.

Then there were bustling crowds, gaily lit by the bright lights from the shop windows and the flares from the stalls, accordion music and laughter bursting from the pubs.

Nowadays on Saturday nights the "Walk" is deserted. You cannot go marketing in the blackout. And even in the daytime much of its colour has gone.

For a bomb landed plumb in its centre, smashed the shop windows almost the whole length, and rough wooden boards now hide the displays that used to brighten the thoroughfare.

This catastrophe did not completely dishearten one shopkeeper. When he arrived the next morning and found his plate glass had disappeared, he remarked to his neighbour: "Well,

expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it is clearly believed the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts. Only by a scheme such as that outlined by Mr Morrison can this preparation be effectualised. The knowledge is dark and harrowing, boding days and nights of suffering and anguish; but the country has steeled itself for such a day, and there is no doubt, it is ready and will

be willing to answer the new call for compulsory service.

there's one thing, I always did hate cleaning my windows."

Business is bad, because many of those who used to make up the "Walk" crowds have gone. The young men are in the Forces, most of the children are evacuated, and some of the mothers too.

Nevertheless, those who stay are still cheerful, although behind their cheerfulness there is constant anxiety and occasional tragedy.

But if you are in any doubt as to how Lambeth people are standing the strain, come along to the Rest Centre—formerly a college—where those who go are turned out of their homes by an "incident."

LISTEN . . .

Listen to the comment of a shop girl, who, with her family, had been bombed out of her home in the middle of the night. She was busy helping to prepare breakfast for the others.

"I have always wanted to go to college," she said. "And now here I am."

I don't want you to think the people of the "Walk" are indifferent to the discomforts and dangers of the raids. Far from it. They are suffering severely.

It is no fun sitting up all night and every night with young children in a crowded shelter. And it's no fun queuing up from early in the afternoon to reserve your place in the basement of one of the big office buildings in the neighbourhood, or in an underground station.

Nevertheless, I have yet to hear a single word which would suggest any weakening of their will to fight on to victory.

And it isn't all contentment and good humour in Lambeth either. There is much resentment, angry resentment.

Against Hitler, of course—for himself of him is permanent and unshakable—but also against the authorities.

Particularly because of the shortage of shelters, but for many other reasons too.

People who plainly ought to be out of London and were anxious to go found that they did not fall within any Government evacuation scheme. Invalids, for example, I know of a bed-ridden woman whose husband wanted to get her away as soon as the severe bombing started.

He found, after applying to various authorities, that there was no provision for her removal. So she had to stay in London, although she could not even get to a shelter at night.

Then there are the old people, who if they want to stay with relations in the country, lose their Supplementary Pension and are unable to pay the rent of their London homes.

No wonder there is anger. And believe me, when the people of the "Walk" are angry they express their feelings in words that are outspoken and vivid, as Herbert Morrison, himself a Lambeth man, well knows. His appointment was in the nick of time. He has already done much to restore confidence.

CARRYING ON

But in spite of all the upheavals of the war and the folly of the authorities, Lambeth Walk carries on. Placed on the boards which take the place of smashed shop windows, are notices which say, "Business as usual."

Now have the people lost their Cockney wit. As I passed the shop next to the one destroyed by the bomb, the owner looked at the rubble, piled feet high in the front of his premises, and asked me as I passed, "Can you lend me a Hoover, Mr Strauss?"

Drabber and grimmer, battered, its people fewer and their lips a little lighter, but their spirit unchanged—that is what you would find now if you go down Lambeth way.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



K.R.A. And Mainland Problems

Inadequacy Of The K'loon Bus Service

At the December meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, the question of the procedure to be followed by patients seeking admission to or treatment at Government hospitals, which has been receiving their attention for some time, was finally disposed of.

Investigations proved that most of the complaints regarding the Kowloon Hospital were due, not to the new regulations themselves, but rather to the faulty administration of those regulations, and it was reassuring to note that the Hon. Director of Medical Services had stressed the fact that any complaint in respect of any side of hospital management, treatment, or administration, if made to him at the time or as soon after as possible, would be immediately enquired into, and Dr Selwyn-Clarke had personally assured the Association that he would closely investigate any such complaints.

It was generally conceded that the fundamental cause of any dissatisfaction with the new regulations or for the need of such regulations, was the inadequacy of hospital facilities in the Colony, and it was decided that the Association should now direct its attention to the possibility of making suggestions or proposals which would tend to assist in improving and increasing those facilities; a special Sub-Committee was therefore appointed with this aim in view.

The report and recommendations of Mr C. E. Terry were unanimously adopted, and the Hon. Secretary was instructed to express the appreciation of the Association to the Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, for the courteous and patient manner in which he has dealt with the representations made to him; at the same time he was directed to record in the minutes a vote of thanks to Mr Terry for his valuable work and report.

Kowloon Bus Service

As the result of further correspondence with The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd., regarding the congestion on all the main bus routes, this subject again received considerable discussion.

For some time past, there have been constant complaints by the travelling public about the over-crowding and lack of accommodation on the buses, and the Association has made representations to the management of the Bus Company on the matter both by interviews and correspondence. The explanation given by the Bus Company from time to time was that the trouble is mainly due to a shortage of vehicles, owing to the non-arrival of rolling-stock from Great Britain, some of the orders for which were placed even before the commencement of the war.

It has now been definitely ascertained that there is very little prospect of the Bus Company being able to obtain anything like the required number of British-made vehicles from the United Kingdom in the near future.

The management stated that they have made and are making every effort to cope with the situation. They had already petitioned Government for permission to purchase, for the duration of the war, American-made vehicles for the purpose of replacement and enlargement of their present fleet of buses, and although this petition had been sent in some time ago, nothing had yet been heard in reply, consequently the ordering or purchase of such vehicles was held up.

The Company had also again appealed to Government to allow them to use "double-deck" vehicles on the main routes, in the same way as has been sanctioned on the Island; two chassis for "double-deck" bodies were actually in hand, and one of them with a frame-work body fitted to it had recently been tested on the road by the traffic department.

Something Should Be Done

Some pungent remarks were made at the meeting regarding the apparent helplessness of the Bus Company to effect any practical means for coping

INDIAN ANTI-NAZI FRONT Positive Help To Britain

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The formation of a non-Party organisation definitely pledged to support the anti-Nazi front and to assist the war effort, was recommended by the All-India Conference in Calcutta, presided over by Mr M. N. Roy, a former prominent Communist and now leader of the Radical Democratic People's Party.

The conference considered that there must be rapid development of the war resources of the country and that end, emergency ministries should be set up in the provinces.

It was decided to formulate a programme for consideration by the All-India Convention to be held in Delhi.

PROTEST AGAINST SILK STOCKING SALE BAN

The National Joint Industrial for the hosiery industry, meeting at Leicester recently, strongly condemned the Government for its action in banning the sale of silk stockings and other silk hosiery.

It was pointed out that it would take months to adapt the machinery to other production, causing serious unemployment and loss both to employers and employees.

It was to be made to the President of the Board of Trade at the "precipitant way" in which the Order had been imposed, without consultation with the Joint Industrial Council.

German Bombs Again Kill People In Eire

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—More bombs were dropped on Eire territory early this morning.

High explosive and incendiary bombs dropped last night killed and seriously wounded a number of British people. One of the incendiary bombs picked up was identified as German. Other bombs have been collected and are being examined by experts.

At Knockroe, near Cork, County Carlow, bombs were also dropped. Three women were killed and two men were seriously injured.

Bombs were also dropped in Enniskerry, Kilmaineague (County Wicklow) district. Some of these have been collected and are being examined by experts.

County Wexford

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Eire was bombed to-night (Thursday) for the second successive night.

Three bombs fell near Enniscorthy, County Wexford. There was no damage and nobody was injured.

Magnetic Mines Dropped

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The fact that magnetic mines were dropped off the coast of Ireland was revealed to-night by the Eirean Government Information Bureau on behalf of the Department of Defence of the State.

The announcement says: "Magnetic sea mines dropped by parachute from an aircraft this morning at Glen-Cormick and Enniskerry will be destroyed by army engineers tomorrow."

Mr Hughes added: "If any traitor believes that a term of imprisonment will follow his detection, he is very much mistaken."



NAZI SUPPLY SHIP BOMBED

A N official photograph of the bombing of a German supply ship by the Fleet Air Arm. The ship—one of about 2,500 tons—was lying at Haugesund when attacked. More than one direct hit was registered.

To Fight Air Raid Fires

Executive Body Named

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister has approved of the immediate establishment of a special organisation to be called the "Fire Prevention Executive" to secure prompt and vigorous action by various Government departments and authorities in applying effective measures in fire prevention in the target areas.

The new organisation, which will include responsible representatives of all Government departments concerned with the many aspects of the problem of fire prevention, will work in close association with the Minister of Home Security.

There will be the fullest possible delegation responsible to regions and to smaller areas within regions, and appropriate arrangements will be made for the supervision of work in Scotland.

The Postmaster General, Mr W. S. Morrison, will preside over the meetings of the new executive.

Apportioning Task

The new committee will apportion the task of fire-watching.

The Ministry of Aircraft Production, the Ministry of Supply and the Admiralty are among those whose special responsibility will be for our factories.

The Ministry of Home Security will assume responsibility for all buildings, public, private and industrial, which do not come within the scope of other departments, and the homes of the whole civilian population will come under its wing.

Immediate Response

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The response to my appeal for the immediate formation of fire and bomb fighting parties in business and residential districts shows signs of being satisfactory," declared Mr Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, in a statement to-night.

Mr Morrison added that preliminary reports from all regions indicated that without waiting for the approach of wardens and firemen a great number of men and women were offering their services either individually or after making up parties among them-

At Knockroe, near Cork, County Carlow, bombs were also dropped. Three women were killed and two men were seriously injured.

Bombs were also dropped in Enniskerry, Kilmaineague (County Wicklow) district. Some of these have been collected and are being examined by experts.

County Wexford

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Eire was bombed to-night (Thursday) for the second successive night.

Three bombs fell near Enniscorthy, County Wexford. There was no damage and nobody was injured.

Magnetic Mines Dropped

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The fact that magnetic mines were dropped off the coast of Ireland was revealed to-night by the Eirean Government Information Bureau on behalf of the Department of Defence of the State.

The announcement says: "Magnetic sea mines dropped by parachute from an aircraft this morning at Glen-Cormick and Enniskerry will be destroyed by army engineers tomorrow."

Mr Hughes added: "If any traitor believes that a term of imprisonment will follow his detection, he is very much mistaken."

The statement adds that the first bomb fell near Drogheda, five at Dundalk and three at Julianstown. There were no casualties.

Houses Demolished

At 6.15 a.m. to-day, two bombs were dropped at Rathdown Park, Terenure, Dublin. Two houses were demolished and several houses were damaged.

Sixty persons were trapped in the demolished houses but were later rescued. Several people were injured.

Two other bombs dropped in Fortfield Road and the Laverton area of the same district. Some houses were damaged but there were no casualties.

Stern Australian Judgment On Spies

CANBERRA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Traitors or spies will earn the death penalty if caught in Australia, declared Mr W. M. Hughes, the Attorney-General and Navy Minister, in an interview to-day.

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The attacking Chinese troops were followed by a large number of civilians who picked up war material; notably railway lines, and carried

Italy Retires From Battle Of Britain

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—An Italian news agency message confirms that remnants of the Italian air contingent, which have been operating with the Luftwaffe against Britain, have been withdrawn.

This news is contained in an announcement that General Kessling, Commander of the German air force in the west, has conferred the Adlerschild (Eagle Shield) Trophy, which he himself created, on the Italian Corps.

The award, according to the agency, was bestowed on the occasion of the "repatriation" of the Italian Corps, to whose commander General Kessling wrote, thanking them for their effective collaboration in the fight.

Only a group of Italian fighters will remain in the Channel as a link "testifying to the continuance of solidarity between Italy and German aviation."

Nazis To Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Jan. 2 (UP).—It is understood that the German planes which will be assigned to Italy to fight in the Mediterranean basin will be complete in every detail, including land crews, machine shops and repairmen; however, they will be under the Italian High Command.

It is understood that this involves several hundred planes.

The Italian newspaper *Piloco*, in an order of the day, said: "The German corps must be considered as a large Italian unit. I fervently greet our German comrades while they are preparing to fight in our skies for a common victory."

Duce Accepts Help

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The announcement of the presence of a contingent of the German air force in Italy meant that to a greater or lesser degree Mussolini has surrendered control over his air force to Germany.

This is the view of well-informed air circles in London.

The news has not come altogether as a surprise. The extent of the surrender of control will be proportionate to the measure of assistance Mussolini has been forced to accept.

It is well-known that Mussolini has always been most reluctant to accept such German "support."

If it comes to attempting to explain the matter away, the Italians will probably try to suggest that it is merely quo pro quo for the assistance given by Italy to Germany by sending some Italian planes to Belgium for attacks on Britain.

On the whole, however, education is bearing the strain remarkably well.

Difficulties During War

The Board of Education is giving careful thought to this problem.

Speaking of the difficulties education is experiencing in war time, Mr Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, told a conference of school teachers to-day.

Immediately after the war is over the school-leaving age will be raised from 14 to 15 in accordance with the Education Act of 1938.

The Board will aim at compulsory education up to the age of 16 but various courses of teaching will have to be devised to suit the capacities of the children.

The Minister assured school teachers that the mistakes made after the last war will not be repeated. There will be great changes in the social and economic life of the country, changes which will have a profound effect on children between the ages of 14 and 16.

Now is the time to lay down plans for far-reaching reforms in education for children between the ages of 14 and 16.

India And A.R.P.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The question of providing for the safety of important buildings in the city and the surrounding industrial areas against possible air raids is engaging some Italian planes to Belgium for attacks on Britain.

These lines of communication supply the Japanese garrisons in these provinces and were recently greatly strengthened.

They are long distances into the interior to distant arsenals where the metal will be used for munitions. Some \$2,000,000 worth of steel was transported in this manner.

Chinese irregulars have not only destroyed 70 bridges and 230 miles of railway track but have also recaptured considerable areas in Shantung province, states Moscow radio.

In Hong Kong, the Chinese have attacked and defeated children in Hong Kong.

The number of children assisted last year was 5,100.

A copy of the Annual Report for 1940 may be obtained from:

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

Australian Griffins In Demand

Recent Auction Of New Ponies Arouses Great Local Interest

THE RECENT AUCTION SALES of 41 imported Australian griffins (to be raced in Spring) under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club proved a great success, and the Stewards must have been quite satisfied with the response shown by the eagerness of owners to bid as each lot was parading in the ring.

It was the first and greatest undertaking of its kind by any Racing Club in the Orient and I cannot help remarking that the success will not only provide good racing but will ensure an established class of ponies for the future. A salient feature of the auction was that the Hongkong Jockey Club made a huge profit in the enterprise, and, furthermore, members of the Club were content with their purchases.

The Club stipulated a limit of \$1,250 per Griffin, but it is interesting to state that only one lot (No. 24 by Weatherwise) was knocked down at the upset price to Mr T. K. Li, who has named the pony Odin.

The highest price was \$8,100 for a brown mare (No. 6 by Dignus by Dignity) by Gainsborough out of Lady Meers by Fafolet from Devise by Woorsk) and the pony is now named Gleaming and belongs to Mr Eu Tong-sen.

The second highest bid was \$8,000 paid by Mr Li Lan-sang for a bay gelding (No. 26 by Farr by Farlant from Dame Perleto out of Boult by Buckwhent by Martagon by Bond or from Tiger Lilly) and the owner wants his new purchase (a brother to Far View and Sapper, the two outstanding ponies of 1940) to be known as Distant View.

A good few animals fetched \$3,000 and over, but the average price of the 41 animals worked out at \$2,740 each, and the Club came out of the buying with a new profit of \$1,500 per month.

Prejudice Routed

THERE was at one time, without fear of any contradiction, a certain amount of prejudice against Australian ponies owing to the fact that they could not stand much racing. But owners are now realising that the cobs from the Antipodes are hardy, and the percentage of those appearing on the "walking list" has been much less than the cross-breds from North China.

It is my humble opinion that the failure to supply China pony subscription griffins by the Russian dealers for last year's racing was a blessing in disguise.

However, Hongkong will know in future where to find good substitutes without approaching the "Government for export permit," and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

There was no doubt that a good few griffins at the auction were bought on their pedigrees, but the Club accepted no responsibility for wrong description.

In perusing the catalogue issued by the club, I found that Griffin No. 20 has "good blood," the dam being Bounty by Buckwhent by Martagon by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly. It will therefore be seen that Distant View is the only pony that has a bloodline that famous Bend Or's blood.

Eleven New Events For Australian Griffins At Annual Meet

The programme for Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be held at Happy Valley on February 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, contains eleven races for an entirely new class of pony, the Australian Griffins, and 41 of them were sold at private auctions to members of the Club last October.

These races are the Austral Valley Stakes, the Austral Maiden Stakes and the Austral Trial Plate on the first day; Austral Bluff Rock Stakes and Austral Derby on the second day; the Chater Cup and Austral Racing Stakes on the third day; the Austral Hopeful Stakes and Austral Grand Stand Stake on the fourth day and the Caulfield Stakes and Yarra Stakes on the fifth and final day.

There are 18 events limited to the Austral Stakes of 1941, of which 113 were drawn as against 97 last year.

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HISTORY OF THE BEND OR SIRE-LINE

Strain That Dominates World's Thoroughbreds

QUITE RECENTLY the writer came across an interesting subject "The Bend Or Sire-Line" by "Royston" in one of the London magazines of 1939 and I am sure the reproduction of that article in this column will be a pleasant reading not only to owners but to men of the turf as well. Hereunder is the story:

It may sound extraordinary, but it is nevertheless fact that the sire-line (the top line in a pedigree) descending from Bend Or practically dominates the thoroughbreds of the world.

In this country it most commonly descends via Bona Vista, Cyllene, Polymelus and Phalaris; in France and America via Ormonde, Orme, Flying Fox, Ajax and Teddy; last year in England, 125 direct descendants of this famous horse, sired 540 winners of 861 races carrying £276,600/4 out of a total of 1,534 winners of 2,300 races that carried £224,010 in stakes and—all this from an equine basis whose grandam was purchased as a lady's hack for 18 guineas.

Now for the story. In 1875 the recently-created first Duke of Westminster paid £14,000, which in those days was an almost unprecedented price, for a horse called Doncaster, bred at Sledmere and blessed (?) with the name of All Heart and No Peal, he was bought as yearling by a Mr Merry for 950 guineas, and after having his name changed, won the Derby, the Ascot Gold Cup, the Alexandra Plate and other races of £7,510, before being sold by Mr Merry to his trainer, Robert Peck for £10,000 and passed on a day or two later, to the Duke of Westminster at the figure mentioned, and sent to the Eaton Stud, near Chester, where he stood as stallion at a fee of 100 guineas and a guinea the groom.

At the time of his arrival at Eaton there was a mare there called Rouge Rose, and the mating between the two, as might be expected, resulted in BEND OR; but Rouge Rose cannot be left at that.

Bought for 18 Guineas

MEANTIME Bona Vista, a half-brother to the Derby winner, Sir Visto, and to Velasquez from Macaroni's daughter, Vesta, who won the Two Thousand Guineas and other races of £6,835, carried on in England, and before being sold to Austria-Hungary, sired Cyllene, a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry, but nevertheless scored in the Newmarket Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes, the Ascot Gold Cup and other events of £28,630, became the sire of the Derby winners, Cicero, Lombard, Minoru, and the filly Tagale.

The mare was named Ellen Horne; the foal, Paradigm. The latter, who ran twice, bred ten winners of £60,417 for Colonel Pearson, among them being the triple-crown winner, Lord Lyon; the One Thousand Guineas and St Leger heroine, Achievement; Humorist, and for Phalaris another good handicapper, who beat, among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Manni, and the St Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

COLORADO is dead, as is Fairway's brother, Pharus, but the mare is the most prolific one in the country, and though not overburdened with stamina, the most popular as a twelve-year-old.

So much for Bend Or's breeding.

On the racecourse he was unbroken as a two-year-old, and the following season took the Derby and the St James's Palace Stakes, winding up his career with successes in the City and Suburban, the Epsom Gold Cup and the Champion Stakes as a four-year-old, and repaying to the Stud with £17,510 to his credit.

Romance of Ormonde

JUST as he was one of the first get of his sire so Ormonde was one of his, and just as romance centred round his dam so did it round that of Ormonde.

Some time in the autumn of 1844 John Osborne, the Middleham trainer, purchased a mare and her foal from a Mr Minor, of Shrewsbury, for "twenty-guineas or thereabouts."

The mare, Annette, need not be bothered with; the foal, to become Annes, made history like Ellen Horne and Paradigm.

Annes bred Miss Annes who was sold to Sir Tatton Sykes, of Sledmere, and for him produced Polly Annes, a miserable undersized foal that he gave to his stud-groom on condition that she left the stud.

Polly Annes grew up and foaled Lily Agnes, who after winning twenty-one races, including the Northumberland Plate, the Doncaster Cup and the Great Ebor Handicap, was sold to the Duke of Westminster, and for him bred the

One Thousand Guinea winner, Farewell to Doncaster, and Ormonde, Ossory, Fleur de Lys, and at the age of sixteen, Sceptre's dam, Ornament, to Bend Or.

Parting of the Lines

WITH Ormonde, who won the triple-crown and many other races of £28,630, comes the parting of the Bend Or lines. In his first season as a stallion, he sired Orme, and then after missing a season through illness, was sold to an Argentine buyer for £12,000, and was then passed on to a Californian breeder for £30,000.

But he was a failure as a sire of winners, and left Orme, who won two Eclipse Stakes and other events of £32,326 in value, to pass on the male line to Flying Fox, who, after winning the triple-crown, the Eclipse Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes and other events of £40,000 in the Westminster Ivory, was sold at the death of the Duke, in 1900, to M. Edmond Blanc for 37,500 guineas, and was exported.

In France he begat the French Derby and Grand Prix des Pâtes winner, Ajax, who through his son, Teddy, and his son, Sir Galahad III, has put the line into such a strong position in France and in America.

The Line in England

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The blood of the first three is nowadays seldom seen in the sire-line of a pedigree, but the join-up with present-day sires was made, through Polymelus, a good handicapper with the Duke of York Stakes and the Cambridge-shire to his credit, who became responsible for the war-time Derby winners, Pommer and Flimella; for the Epsom Derby winner, Humorist, and for Phalaris another good handicapper, who beat, among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Manni, and the St Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

This season Blue Peter has put the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby to its credit, and Phalaris has done it further honour through victories in the French Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

All credit must go to Bend Or, but the smaller breeders would do well to remember his ancestry;

the poor and the rich have the same chance when the breeding of bloodstock is the main theme;

there are still Ellen Horne's and Annes to be found; there has

seldom been a better time for the bloodstock industry.

From the catalogue of the Hongkong Jockey Club there are a few sires traced down from such famous horses as Cyllene (a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry), Polymelus, Flying Fox and Cicero (son of Cyllene). They will, of course, be seen in action at the Spring meeting, and it is to be hoped that all of them will uphold the dignity of their ancestors.

Stanford Win Rose Bowl Classic

PASADENA, Jan. 1 (UPI)—Stanford University emerged triumphantly from their American Football Rose Bowl classic against Nebraska, whining to day by 21 points to 13 before an enormous crowd.

SPLENDID CRICKET ON THE CLUB GROUND

Century By T. G. C. Knight And "Fireworks" From R. H. Griffiths

(By "R. Abbit")

IF WE GET many days for cricket like that on New Year's Day in 1941 there will be no complaints. It was perfect cricket weather—bright sun and a fresh breeze blowing.

Club and Wanderers agreed to play twelve-a-side, and the latter team took first knock on what seemed to be an excellent pitch.

Grose and Coombes opened to Baker and Perry, but after Coombes had snicked Baker dangerously for four and two in the first over, he was bowled by the first ball of the second, which seemed to come up from leg. 7-1-6.

Here, however, Club success ceased as Alec Pearce and Gross played the bowling with confidence. Perry seemed to be swinging across from the off, and Baker coming in from leg, which is not his usual habit.

At 25, Baker was relieved by Knight, and the first time Pearce played a bad shot was when he sent the 40 up with a crack past first slip's right hand. It was bad luck on Pearce who was bowling well. At this period only 44 runs had been scored in 50 minutes.

Richardson Bowls

At 48, Ride, no doubt in an attempt to break up the stand, put on Richardson. I suppose you can choke on Richardson.

Anyway, 13 came off the first over, though I thought it unlikely to make him field long leg when there were some outstanding young fellows in the slips.

The separation came from the other end, as Knight sent down a beauty that just chipped Pearce's pads and went on to his wicket. It came back a lot from the off. 0-2-37.

Richardson's next over was treated with the respect due to a Verity or Grimmett, and only one run came from it. The next over Knight bowled Swyer. 7-1-2.

He took a rest after this, and Baker went on again at the Yard end. Perry also resumed, and his first ball clean bowled Skipwith. 0-2-4-8.

There was a quiet spell, and Gross seemed to be set for a big innings when he lifted an on-drive from McLellan (who had relieved Baker) and the latter—fielding wide mid-on—shot up his right hand and brought off a wonderful catch. 100-5-37.

As a matter of fact, I am doubtful who were the more surprised—the fieldsmen, the batsman or the spectators.

A Six—But Trouble Later

McLellan had been suspiciously quiet for some time, and I was not surprised when he opened up a bit and hit Perry nearly into the Hongkong Bank. A pretty late cut for a couple and a smack to square-leg for four came from McLellan's next over, but just as one was hoping for fireworks, he skied one from Haynes (on for Perry) and when the ball eventually came down the bowler caught it. 110-6-14.

Two runs later Head cut McLellan hard and the catch was smartly taken at second slip by Haynes. 118-7-4.

The batsmen then settled down and Denyer dealt very faithfully with some very bad bowling. It was possibly post-prandial!

Batting Gloves

THE score got up to 150 and then Denyer got rather a nasty smack on the hand. From the way in which he lies down so much to hit the ball he is particularly likely to get hit about the hands, and he really ought to wear gloves. It is easy to learn—much easier than learning to wear one's dentist's teeth—and after a bit there is no handicap.

At 102 he cocked a half-hit one Ride at mid-off off Knight. 102-3-28.

The wicket had put on 44 runs.

Scoring Continues

ALLISON (I am told his name should be spelt Allison, but the skipper spelt it the other way) was batting very steadily. I have not seen him before, but he is a bat with some very nice strokes.

At this point, Club appeared to have completely lost control of the game. However, at 189 Dewar hit a very bad ball from McLellan to Bevan, who judged the catch very well. 189-9-8.

Just after, Allison was palpably caught at first slip by Haynes off Knight and was on his way to the Pavilion when something happened and he went back.

A few balls later, Bailey was 1.b.w. 192-10-1.

And then McLellan bowled Allison who had a go. 192-11-28.

Between the innings I found out that the slip catch had been given out as being taken on the half-volley. Though some of the batting side agreed, the score-box view was

\$382 COLLECTED AT FANLING FOR "BOMBER" FUND

The first Golf competition for the "S. C. M. Post" and "ILK Telegraph" Bomber Fund (a prize for which was presented anonymously) was won by G. M. Poole (7) and G. Thompson (20), who tied with three up each and will play off. The former played over the Old Course and the latter over the New.

Other scores over the Old Course were W. S. Hillier (10), L. R. Andrews (6) two up; Major W. G. Harvey (10), S. L. Lloyd (10) and J. Harrop (10) one up

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Girl Wife's Bigamy After Separation

Married when she was only just 16, Margaret Patricia Ivy Richards, aged 21, was bound over for two years on a charge of bigamy at Northants Assizes recently.

Prosecuting counsel said she was first married in 1935, but in 1937 there was a separation. In February, 1940, she formed an attachment for Charles Henry Cartlidge and went through a form of marriage with him, describing herself as a spinster.

While she was away the second husband made some inquiries, and when he taxed her with a previous marriage she said she had had a divorce.

Thought She Was Free

Proceedings had been entered for divorce, but it was not until June this year, after the second "marriage," that the case was heard.

In her defence it was pointed out that her first husband left her, and in March, 1939, she received notice of divorce proceedings. She heard nothing more for 12 months and thought she was free.

Mr Justice Oliver, binding her over, said the accused was now little more than a girl, and at the time of the first marriage little more than a child.

Farm Wife Freed Of Killing Beggar

A coroner's jury in Dosquet, Quebec, fully exonerated Mrs Eugene Laroche, 21, for shooting and killing a 70-year-old beggar who refused to leave her premises, and who allegedly threatened to kill her three children.

"I didn't mean to kill him, only to scare him," the young farm wife told Coroner Dr Joseph Lamontagne. "After he told me he would kill my children, I recited three Ave Marias, then I took the gun and fired."

Mrs Laroche said the beggar, later identified as James Dewling, 70, called at her farmhouse while her husband was absent, and demanded money. She told him she had none, but he remained at the door, mumbling threats, she declared.

The jury returned a verdict of death caused by a fire-arm used in legitimate self-defence," and absolved Mrs Laroche from any blame.

Luftwaffe To Help Italy

Rome, Jan. 2. The newspaper *Piccolo* announced to-day that German air squadrons were coming to Italy to fight in the Mediterranean basin. The paper also announced that the Italian air corps on the English Channel coast was returning to Italy; only one group of chasers would remain at the Channel.—*United Press*.

Reuter adds that the Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Air Force, in his order of the day, also declared that German planes were coming to Italy to help the country in its aerial war against Britain.

Show In Aid Of The S.P.C.

Variety entertainment in aid of the Society for the Protection of Children will be given at the China Fleet Club Theatre to-night.

David Kosseck, who is producing the show, has called it "Funfity" and is helped by a strong cast of artists, many of whom were with him in the successful "Vaudifun" performances recently. There are to be dance numbers (arranged by Nellie Field), vocal numbers (arranged by Freddy Archer), besides several surprise items, so that a thoroughly enjoyable evening is promised.

The show begins at 9.15 p.m. and tickets may be obtained at Anderson's.



THE DUKE OF KENT jumping from a plane which carried him to an operational training unit in the North. The Duke saw pilots being trained in Britain's latest fighter machines.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

The New Year opened with a good general demand for scrip, and prices advanced in some cases.

Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$74.50
Canton Ins. \$200
Union Ins. \$400
H.K. Fire Ins. \$157.50
Wharves \$93
H.K. Lands \$34

Trans. \$17.75
Star Ferries \$01
Yau Ma Tei Ferries \$24
Electrics "O" \$40
Electrics "N" \$39.75
Sandakan Lights \$11.50
Ropes \$7.40
Dairy Farms \$18.75
Watsons \$10.70
Entertainments \$7
Constructions "O" \$1.00

Sellers

Wharves \$95
Trans \$18
Vibro Piling \$7.70
Sales
Docks "O" \$18.30
Electrics "O" \$40.25
Dairy Farms \$18.80
Watsons \$10.05/70

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Hongkong and Macao

New Year greetings were exchanged between His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut-General E. F. Norton, and His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Comdr G. M. Teixeira, according to a communiqué issued from the Colonial Secretary's Office yesterday.

General Norton sent the following telegram: "I wish your Excellency and the people of Macao prosperity and every happiness during the New Year."

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New Pact Wanted By Swiss

A Swiss trade delegation headed by M. Keller, a well-known Swiss economist, recently arrived in London to negotiate a new trade agreement.

Completely surrounded by territory under Axis control, Switzerland now fears that a rigorous application of the blockade will cut off the supplies of food-stuff and other commodities on which she depends.

Until the collapse of France, imports to Switzerland permitted to pass through the blockade went through that country.

Now that the blockade is being applied against France, too, Switzerland's position has become much more difficult.

Temptation To Axis

These difficulties are freely appreciated here, but it is hard to see what can be done to help Switzerland without risking a leak in the blockade.

Any imports passing through enemy occupied territory must be a temptation to Germany and Italy to supplement their own diminishing supplies.

Since the war began imports of foodstuffs and staple commodities into Switzerland have increased considerably.

Four-fifths of Switzerland's total imports passed through the British blockade.

Solicitor Asks For New Bench

An allegation that magistrates had decided on an application in private instead of in open court was made at Maldenhead recently by Mr T. Alan Stuchbery, a solicitor. The Mayor (Mr C. T. Kitley) refused the allegation and refused an application that the bench be reconstituted.

Mr Stuchbery said that the application was for a reduction in the contribution made by the Union Cinema Co. under the Sunday Entertainment Act, 1932, in respect of Sunday opening of cinemas. It first came before the bench on Sept. 9, and was adjourned for certain figures to be submitted.

Aldermen's Information

"It was with considerable astonishment," said Mr Stuchbery, "that I learned that this application had been dealt with by the Bench in private." He said his information came from two aldermen who attended the meeting.

The Mayor: I must strongly protest. The magistrates have not reached a decision.

Mr Stuchbery asked that all the magistrates who attended that meeting should not adjudicate. The Mayor refused the application, adding that he strongly deplored the notion of any magistrate in divulging what transpired in the magistrates' room.

LATE NEWS



KING MICHAEL kissing his mother, Queen Helen, on her arrival in Rumania after years of exile. She arrived at the frontier station.

The First Bombs Of New Year

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One British Vickers-Wellington was brought down.

Long Dawn Raider

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The very slight enemy air action to-day has been confined to the coastal districts.

An Air Ministry communiqué states that little damage and only a few minor casualties were caused by bombs which were dropped in a town in Kent.

Reports received since this morning's communiqué, it is added, show that a small number of persons were killed when a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs in a town in the west of England shortly before dawn this morning.

ITALIAN SABOTAGE

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Barracks occupied by an Italian garrison at the frontier town of Postumia (on the road from Trieste to Ljubljana, Yugoslavia) have been set afire.

Four civilians have been arrested, suspected of sabotage and the entire garrison is under strict observation.

British Journal Expelled

LISBON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—W. Lucas, for many years the London "Times'" correspondent in Portugal, has been ordered to leave the country within 48 hours on account of an article written by him in an American review.

In it he alleged that German influence existed in Portugal.

INSPECTION OF AUSTRALIANS

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Colonial Army Minister Mr. Alexander and the Chief of the Australian General Staff, Lieut-General Sir Stanhope, have arrived at Palestine from Australia on an inspection visit of the Australian Imperial Force.

RED ARMY CHANGE

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—General Shadakov, Deputy Commissar of Defence, has been relieved of his post.

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ANOTHER NAIL FOR HITLER'S COFFIN

The "Arunta," the first of the Tribal class of destroyers to be laid down in the British Dominions, was launched in Sydney recently.

Speaking at the ceremony, Lord Gowrie, the Governor-General, said:

"Every rivet hammered into these ships is a nail in the coffin of Hitler and his gang."

TYPISTS PROTEST

The Civil Service Clerical Association in Britain has protested to the Treasury against inquiries now being made about the efficiency of short-hand-typists employed at the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the suggestion that they can where desirable, be replaced from outside the Service.

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LONDON, JAN. 2 (REUTER).—TWENTY THOUSAND INCENDIARIES AND A LOAD OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON BREMEN DURING THE FIRST HOUR OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S FIERCE BOMBING RAID BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, TURNED THE GREATEST SEAPORT IN GERMANY—AFTER HAMBURG—INTO A RAGING FURNACE.

Nazi Raider in Pacific said to be a Glen Liner

It is reported that one of the German raiders in the Pacific is the Glengarry, a 7,100-ton ship being built for the Glen Line at Copenhagen when the Nazis invaded Denmark.

This ship, almost complete at the time, was finished by the Nazis and was sent to the Pacific under Count von Luckner, famous sea raider of the last war, to prey on Allied shipping.

HE RAIDED IN THE LAST WAR

Count von Luckner is remembered for his exploits in the last war. In March 1917 he ran the Allied blockade in the North Sea in his 4,000-ton armed merchant vessel, the Seeadler. The ship was disguised as a Norwegian timber carrier. Luckner operated with some success in the Pacific where he sank many American freighters. A typhoon when the Seeadler was at the island of Mopelia was responsible for her destruction, and on October 21, von Luckner and five of his men were captured, and interned.

HONGKONG PAYS UP

Salaries Tax Revenue Exceeds Expectations

"The revenue from taxation on salaries has exceeded expectations, but we are still very much in the dark as regards taxation on profits etc," stated Mr A. G. Clarke, Commissioner for War Taxation this morning to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The first assessments were sent out last June, these being confined to a few individuals who were leaving the Colony.

The department commenced to function on April 1, 1940 with a skeleton staff of eight clerks. Two examiners arrived shortly afterwards from Ceylon and these were later joined by three others, but the department is still short of two examiners who are expected to arrive any day from Home.

"We are making fair progress and have experienced surprisingly little trouble in the collection of taxation. There has been a good deal of public co-operation," he concluded.

Discuss Anglo-Chinese Interests in Pacific

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—In his first talk with the Chinese Ambassador Mr Quo Tui-chi, since he became Foreign Minister, Mr Anthony Eden conversed for 40 minutes, and it is reliably stated that they discussed British-Chinese interests in the Pacific, and surveyed European developments.

During the conversation the Chinese Ambassador alluded to the reports of heavy Japanese troop concentrations in Kwangtung, and suggested they could

As the long procession of aircraft of the Bomber Command reached the Zuider Zee on their way to follow up the first attacks, they could see a red glow in the sky over Bremen although still 120 miles from their target.

Smoke from the fires reached as high as the clouds and mingled with them, and pilots found the targets they had been detailed to attack so thoroughly ablaze that rather than waste the bombs on buildings already gutted they sought other factories and dockyards in the city.

Armaments Assailed

It was an intensely cold clear night, and a young moon clearly lit up the targets, chief of which were the great shipbuilding yards in which warships of all kinds, and especially submarines, are under construction, the Deutsche Werke. Oil refineries, railway wagon factories, warehouses, starch mills, and the like, were air frame factory.

To defend Bremen, used all the ground defenses available, mustered and the R.A.F. reported formidable anti-aircraft fire.

Holland Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Jan. 2 (UP).—The official news agency's correspondent at The Hague reports that R.A.F. planes last Tuesday night dropped a large number of incendiary and explosive bombs throughout Holland. Many houses were struck.

The men were allowed to walk about on the lower deck, were given good rations and even had a "complaint" book in which to voice grievances.

Around Sumatra Waters

They had been cruising round Sumatra waters at this time but the raider shortly afterwards left for the Indian Ocean where another Norwegian was captured and sunk.

The raider had altered her superstructure to hide her guns and deck equipment and bore the appearance of an English ship, which indeed she was. The fact that she was accompanied by the Norwegian ship previously captured helped to disarm suspicion.

When quite close, the raider's deck

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East Indies Anticipates Attack

Oil Wells Guarded

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Central News).—A message from Balikpapan published in the Evening Standard to-day, forecast that strategists believe that in the event of a Japanese attack on the Netherlands East Indies, the first objective of the blow will not be Java but the rich oil wells of the South Atlantic with the loss of two lives told the "United Press" to-day:

"The submarine fired two torpedoes without the slightest warning despite the Panamanian flags which were painted on both sides, leaving the ship a blazing, sinking hulk.

"We left Aruba on December 5 with an entire crew of Americans carrying 5,000,000 gallons of oil consigned to a British-Mexican firm in Freetown."

The Netherlands East Indies authorities are reported to be ceaselessly building defences, heavily minning the port and sending out gunboats, mine-layers and planes to patrol the Macassar Strait.

Scores of Japanese found poaching in forbidden waters and masquerading as fishermen, have been arrested and imprisoned.

Recently a Japanese tanker with a crew of 500 cadets arrived at Balikpapan claiming to be making a training cruise. But the crew was not allowed to land and the vessel was escorted back to sea.

It is believed that the docks, refineries, pipe-lines and oil wells will be destroyed rather than be allowed to fall into Japanese hands.

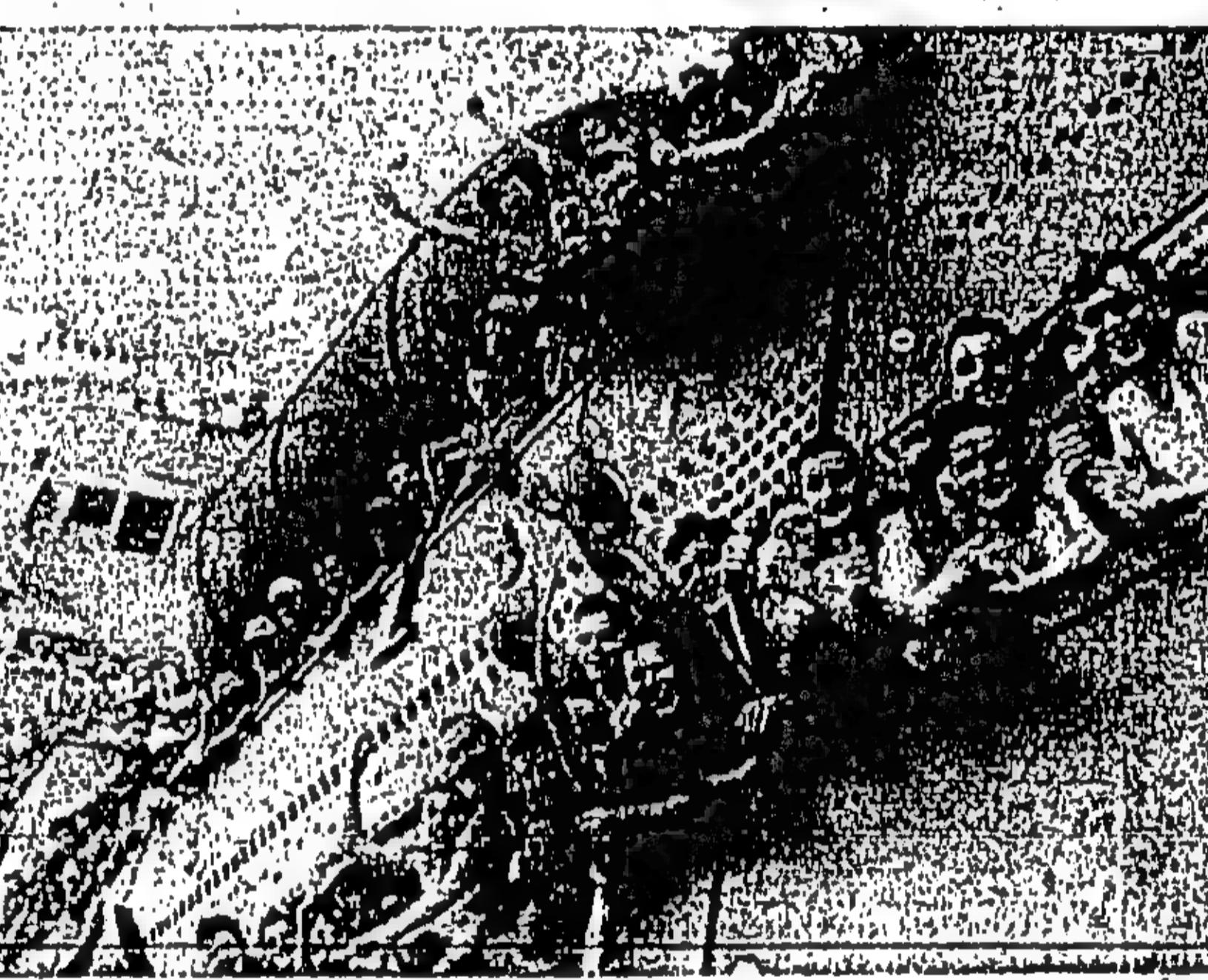
Destruction has been planned so thoroughly by experts that it is calculated a minimum of two years will be required before it will be able to resume production.

BELGIAN PRIDE

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—The Belgian army is firmly determined to fight at the side of her British friends and allies until final victory liberates Belgium and King Leopold.

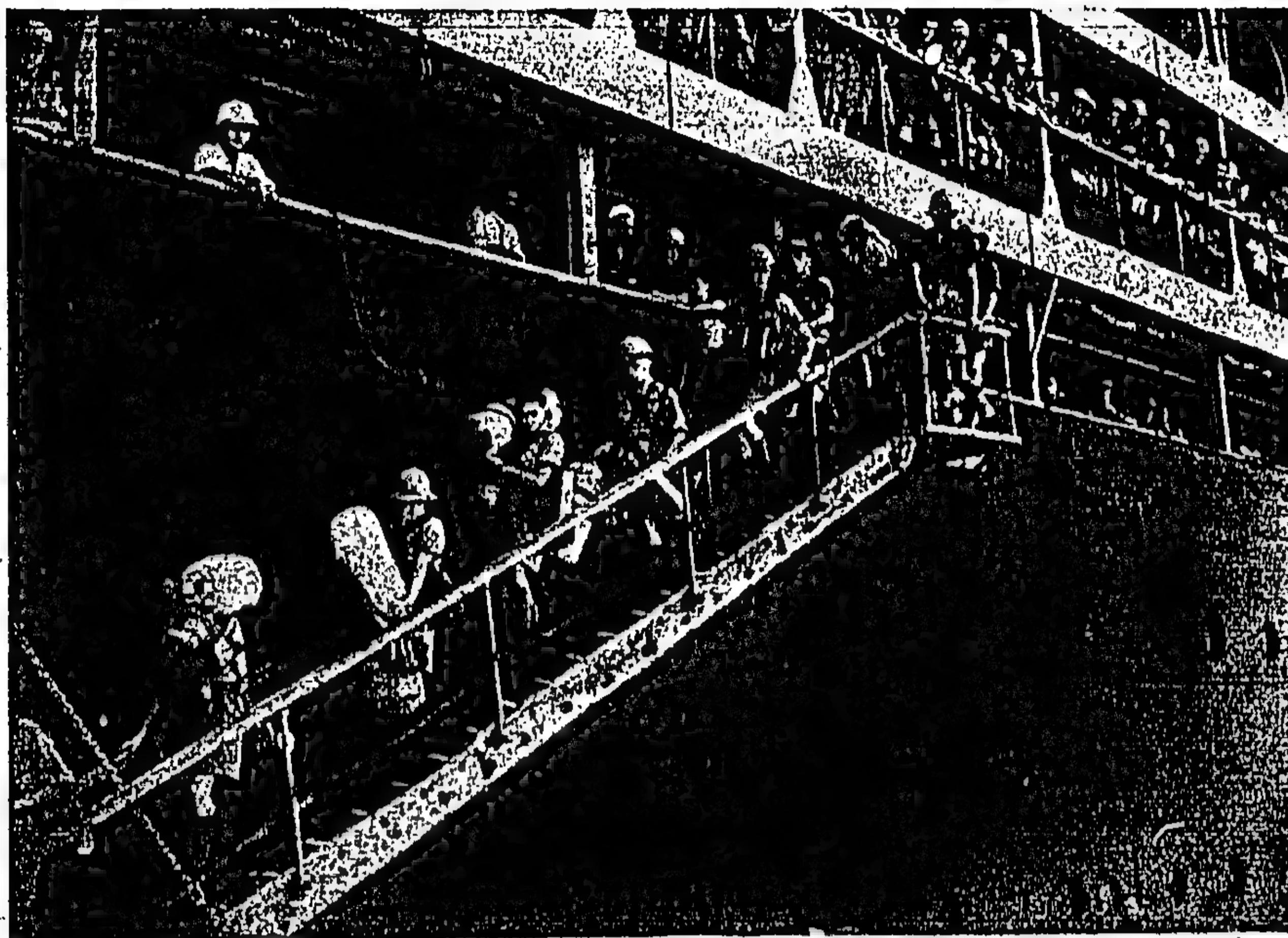
M. Gut, Belgian Minister of Defense, thus replies to the New Year Greetings sent to officers and men of the Belgian army by Capt. Margesson, British Secretary for War, on behalf of the Army Council.

be used to protect the Canton-Hankow railway or could attack Hongkong, possibly to be synchronized with a German offensive in Europe.



TAKING PART IN THE BATTLE OF LIBYA

Here are some of the British reinforcements which arrived recently in Egypt to take part in the present Battle of Libya. Top picture shows contingents of the R.A.F., landing from their transport, and below, a happy group of British tommy's getting their first glimpse of the Middle East.



DEMAND APOLOGY FROM JAPANESE

Firm Stand By U.S. Marines

PEIPING, Jan 1 (Reuter).—A demand for a full apology by the Japanese for the incident which occurred in Peiping on Monday when some United States Marines were detained by Japanese police is being made by Col. S. H. Turnage, Commandant of the United States Marines here.

It is alleged that four Marines were beaten during their detention and two were forced to sign a confession of guilt. Col. Turnage is also demanding the punishment of the Japanese gendarmes and officers concerned in the arrests, and an assurance that similar acts will not occur in the future.

Failing such an assurance, he adds, the incident cannot be regarded as closed.

The trouble giving rise to the demand occurred in a cabinet in Peiping when it is alleged that a Japanese civilian attempted to pick a quarrel with one of a party of Americans guards at whom he pointed a revolver. The Japanese was disarmed by the Marines and later the place was surrounded by Japanese gendarmes who arrested the whole party of Americans and detained them.

The Commandant made repeated applications for their release, which took place 17 hours later. The Japanese authorities then declared the incident closed, but the Commandant disagreed, demanded a full apology and reported the incident to Washington.

SHIP TORPEDOED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Mackay Radio reports that they intercepted a message asserting that the steamer Gulgora was torpedoed in latitude 22.30 north, longitude 21.00 west.

LATEST

Britain To Receive U. S. Cargo Ships

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Administration quarters indicated to-day that American cargo vessels will be loaned or leased to Britain as one of the first steps in President Roosevelt's programme for providing accelerated material aid to England.

Reliable sources said there is also some likelihood that the United States might acquire the majority of the 133 vessels which are moored in the United States waters belonging to nations which have been occupied by Germany; however, there is no indication that the United States will take over any German or Italian tonnage.

Reports regarding the Strada Bianca clash declare that the Greeks captured seven officers (including two majors) 450 soldiers, two light field guns and four machine-guns.

The Italians fled along the main road towards Valona. The pursuing Greeks reached the heights in the Keratouni mountains which skirt the coast as far as Valona Bay and dominate the valley.

Another Valona Raid

STRUGA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reports reveal that six Greek and British planes yesterday bombed and damaged the port works at Valona, hitting and setting fire to an Italian ship in the harbour.

The same planes then bombed the Italian barracks at Kanina, three and a half miles southeast of Valona.

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New Warship Every 12 Days

American Production

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The United States navy now has sufficient officers to command the warships which are being added to the fleet at the rate of one every 12 days.

Naval officials said that 15,000 regular and reserve naval officers are now on duty including 4,000 reservists. An additional 5,000 are scheduled to be commissioned in 1941 for the regular and reserve services.

A special four-point programme, including the calling of reserves to active duty, training college men, naval reserve officers training corps, and shortening the course in the Naval Academy from four to three and a half years is being introduced.

PLANE MAKES A FORCED LANDING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BIG SPRINGS, Texas, Jan. 2 (UP).—A naval plane made a forced landing here to-day 31 miles northwest of the town. Several of the crew bailed out prior to the crash.

Five Bail Out

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 2 (UP).—Five men bailed out of a naval PBY bomber which was enroute to San Diego from Pensacola, Florida, but the report said the pilot and co-pilot remained with the plane.

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

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H.K. Banks \$	1,380 n.
H.K. Banks £	.77 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £	.82 n.
Chartered £	.84 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £	.27 n.
Mercantile, C. £	.103 n.
East Asia \$	.75 b.
INSURANCES	
Cantons \$	.200 b.
Union \$	.400 b.
China Underwriters \$	1 n.
H.K. Fire \$	157 1/2 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglas \$	.135 n.
Steamboats \$	.11 n.
Indo-Chinas P.	.100 n.
Indo-China D.	.80 n.
Shell (Bentons) \$	.40/n.
Waterboats \$	.7 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves \$	.05 n.
Docks (old) \$	.18.30 b. and sa.
Docks (new) \$	.17.60 b.
Provident \$	.570 n.
Shai Dockyards \$	.353 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kalian \$	.163 n.
Rubis \$	.04 n.
H.K. Mines \$	.14 cts. n.
LANDS	
Hotels \$	.300 n.
Lands \$	.34 b.
Lands 4% Debentures	.100 n.
Shai Lands Sh \$	.12.30 n.
Humphreys \$	.700 n.
H.K. Realties \$	.380 n.
Chinese Estates \$	.100 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams \$	.173 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$	.740 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$	.375 n.
Star Ferries \$	.61 n.
Y. Ferries \$	.24 b.
China Lights c. rts. \$	.600 n.
China Lights x. rts. \$	.00 n.
China Lights Rts. \$	.14 n.
H.K. Electrics (old) \$	.404 n.
H.K. Electrics (new) \$	.304 n.
Macao Electrics (old) \$	.175 n.
Macao Electrics (new) \$	.105 n.
Sandakan Lights \$	.111 b.
Telephones (old) \$	.26 n.
Telephones (new) \$	.10.20 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Caldi: Mng. (Ord.), Sh. \$, .14.00 n.	
Caldi: Mng. (Pref.), Sh. \$, .12 n.	
Canton Ices \$	1 n.
Cements \$	.18.00 n.
H.K. Ropes \$	.760 b.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms \$	.18.80 n.
Watsons \$	.11 n.
Lane Crawfords \$	.9 n.
Sineries \$	.21.5 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	.39 n.
Powell Ltd. \$	.1.00 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh. \$	.443 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$	.195 b.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt. 4%	.97 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/4% (1934)	.04 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/4% (1940)	.04 n.
Govt. Bond 5% 1925 G.S.B.s	.42/47 n.
H.K. Entertainments \$	.7 b.
Constructions (old) \$	.1.00 b.
Constructions (new) \$	.1 n.
Vibro Filling \$	.7.70 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) \$	.7.70 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) \$	.270 n.

Solicitor Asks For New Bench

An allegation that magistrates had decided an application in private instead of in open court was made at Makthorpe recently by Mr. T. Alan Stuchbury, a solicitor. The Mayor (Mr. C. T. Kiley) refused the allegation that the bench be reconstituted.

Mr. Stuchbury said that the application was for a reduction in the contribution made by the Union Cinema Co. under the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, in respect of Sunday opening of cinemas. It first came before the bench on Sept. 9, and was adjourned for certain figures to be submitted.

Aldermen's Information

"It was with considerable astonishment," said Mr. Stuchbury, "that I learned that this application had been dealt with by the Bench in private." He said his information came from two aldermen who attended the meeting.

The Mayor: I must strongly protest. The magistrates have not reached a decision.

Mr. Stuchbury asked that all the magistrates who attended that meeting should not adjudicate. The Mayor refused the application, adding that he strongly deplored the action of any magistrate in divulging what transpired in the magistrates' room.

TYPISTS PROTEST

The Civil Service Clerical Association in Britain has protested to the Treasury against inquiries now being made about the "efficiency" of short-hand-typists employed at the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the suggestion that they can, where desirable, be replaced from outside the Service.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Help To Meet The U-Boat Menace

LONDON, Jan. 2 (British Wireless).—Empire shipbuilding yards, by providing new tonnage, are helping Britain to defeat the U-boat menace. Canada, which before the war had about 1,250,000 tons on its shipping registry, has launched new vessels from yards at Vancouver, Montreal and Halifax.

A large number of merchant ships are now on the stocks and it was announced recently that Canada is to build 18 large merchant vessels for the British Government.

There are some 40 shipbuilding and repairing establishments in the Dominion and even before the war about 4,000 permanent workers were employed. In 1938 repairs work was done to the value of over £3,000,000.

Although South Africa has no real shipbuilding industry, large scale repairs can be carried out at Durban, where there is a well-equipped repairing yard and dry-dock.

Australia built only a small number of vessels before the war but has since greatly enlarged the shipbuilding industry. A yard is to be established at Whyalla, South Australia, to build merchant ships up to 12,000 tons and Mr. W. M. Hughes, the Navy Minister, has declared that shipbuilding must become one of the great national industries of Australia. The Commonwealth has yards at Morts Dock in Sydney and at Williamstown Dockyard near Melbourne. Orders amounting to £250,000 for engines and machinery have been placed in Queensland.

Robbed, Left Bound

Pirates Off Nam Wan

Robbed by a gang of four armed robbers of a cargo of salt fish valued at \$150 and then taken to Nam Wan where he was tied up and left on a hillside, Chan Yan, a travelling tinsmith, managed to escape and returned to the Colony yesterday when a report was made to the Police.

Chan said he left Hongkong on December 31, and was sailing near Nam Wan that night when he was stopped by four men in a boat, one of whom was armed with a revolver.

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New Pact Wanted By Swiss

A Swiss trade delegation, headed by Mr. Keller, a well-known Swiss economist, recently arrived in London to negotiate a new trade agreement.

Completely surrounded by territory under Axis control, Switzerland now fears that a rigorous application of the blockade will cut off the supplies of food-stuff and other commodities on which she depends.

Until the collapse of France, imports to Switzerland permitted to pass through the blockade went through that country.

Now that the blockade is being applied against France, too, Switzerland's position has become much more difficult.

Temptation To Axis

These difficulties are freely appreciated here, but it is hard to see what can be done to help Switzerland without risking a leak in the blockade.

Any imports passing through enemy occupied territory must be a temptation to Germany and Italy to supplement their own diminishing supplies.

Since the war began imports of foodstuffs and staple commodities into Switzerland have increased considerably.

Four-fifths of Switzerland's total imports passed through the British blockade.

Over Parking

B. R. Irance, c/o C. M. Karanjin and Company, David House, was fined \$5 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, w.c.t. at Central Magistracy, to-day for parking his motor car at the Connaught Road car park from 10.00 a.m. to 12.40 p.m. on December 21. Similarly summoned, Dr. S. To Wong, 12 Pegg's Street, was also fined \$5. Dr. Wong was said to have parked his car at the Chater Road car park from 10.02 a.m. until 5.30 p.m. on December 18.

Japanese Minister To Canberra

TOKYO, Jan. 3 (Reuter).—Mr. Takuji Kawai, who is now semi-officially confirmed to be the first Japanese Minister to Australia, told Press reporters: "I have much to learn about Australia. However, I will do whatever I can within my power to tighten the bonds of friendship and increase trade between Japan and Australia."

Spitfire Funds

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, to-day gratefully acknowledged:

"£7,500 from the 'Times of Ceylon' Spitfire Fund, which has now contributed about £20,000."

£5,000 from the B.B.C. staff for the purchase of a Spitfire to be named "Aerial."

"Funiety" Prices

Servicemen will be admitted at half-price to "Funiety" which is being produced to-night at the China Fleet Club Theatre in aid of the Society for the Protection of Children.



KING MICHAEL kissing his mother, Queen Helen, on her arrival in Rumania after years of exile. She arrived at the frontier station.

Bomber Fund Swelling

Sunday

OLD COUNTRY

9.10 P. Morrison, H. H. Davies,

9.20 A. J. Dennis, S. L. Lloyd,

9.24 R. M. Wood, G. E. J. Richardson,

9.24 Mrs. G. E. J. Richardson, R. D. Divett,

9.32 H. H. Morris, T. H. A. Mills,

9.32 P. Morris, H. A. Mills,

9.40 J. E. Potter, W. A. Mackinlay,

9.40 F. N. McLean, V. McLane,

9.42 D. Lorraine, L. M. S. Lloyd,

9.42 D. J. Valentine, A. V. Greaves,

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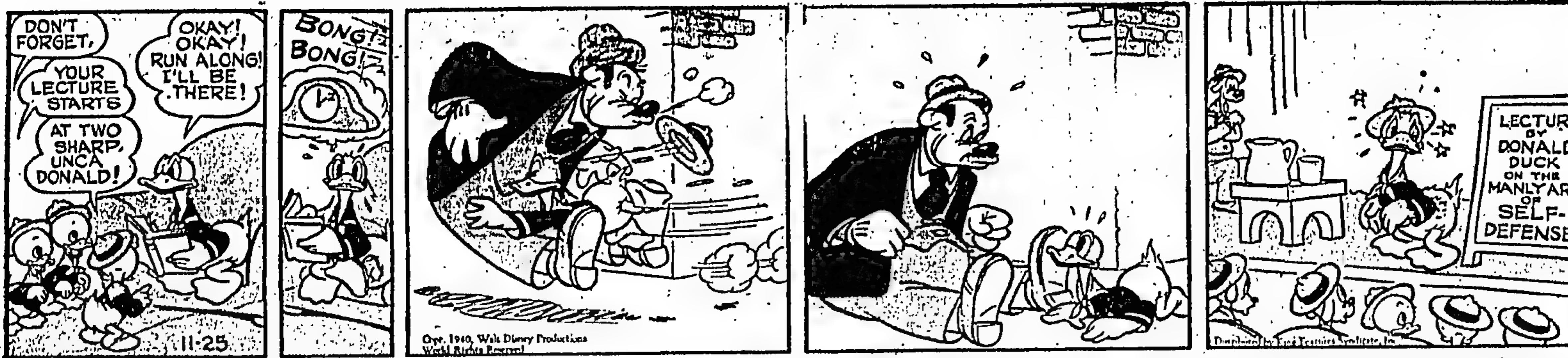
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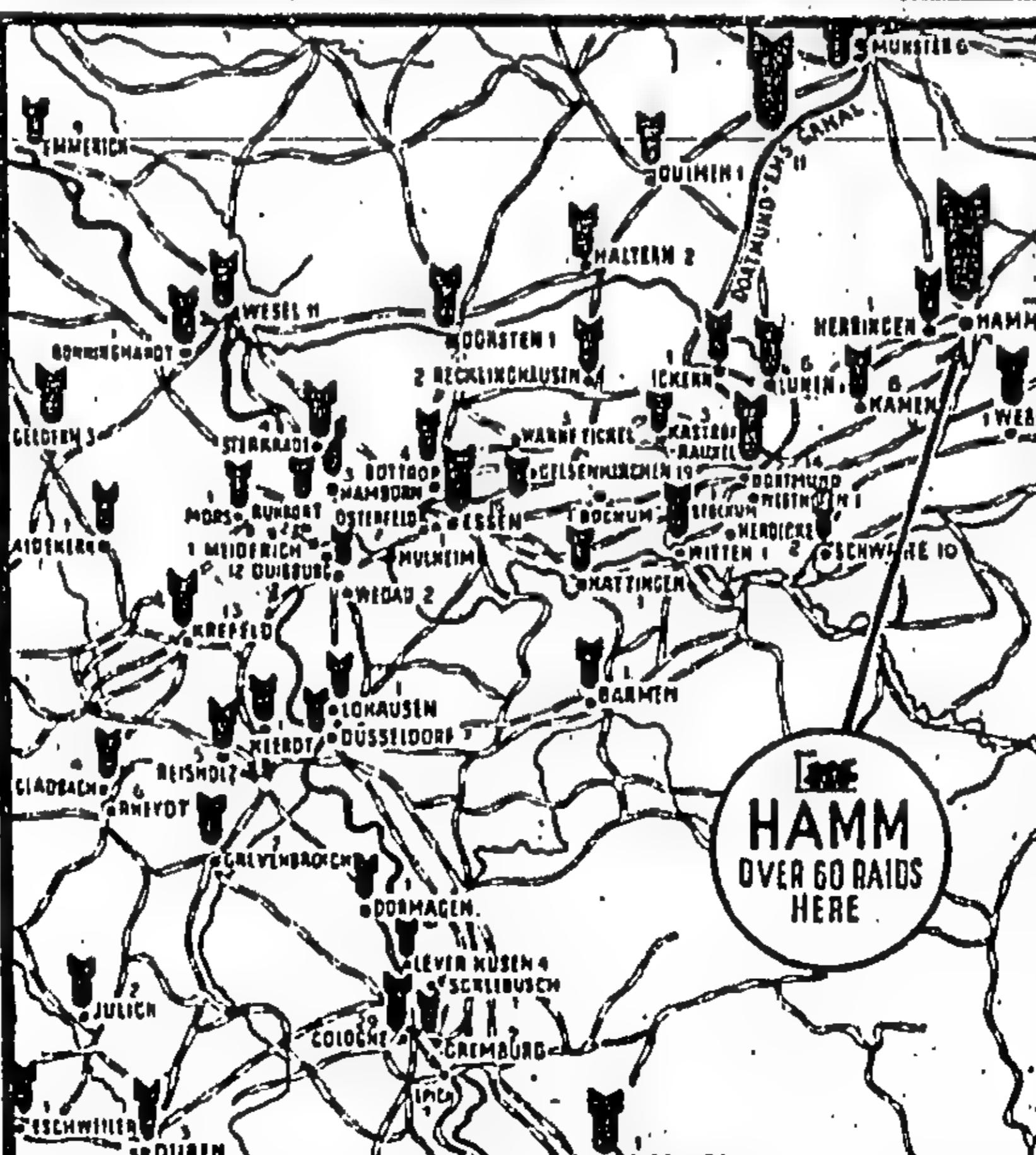
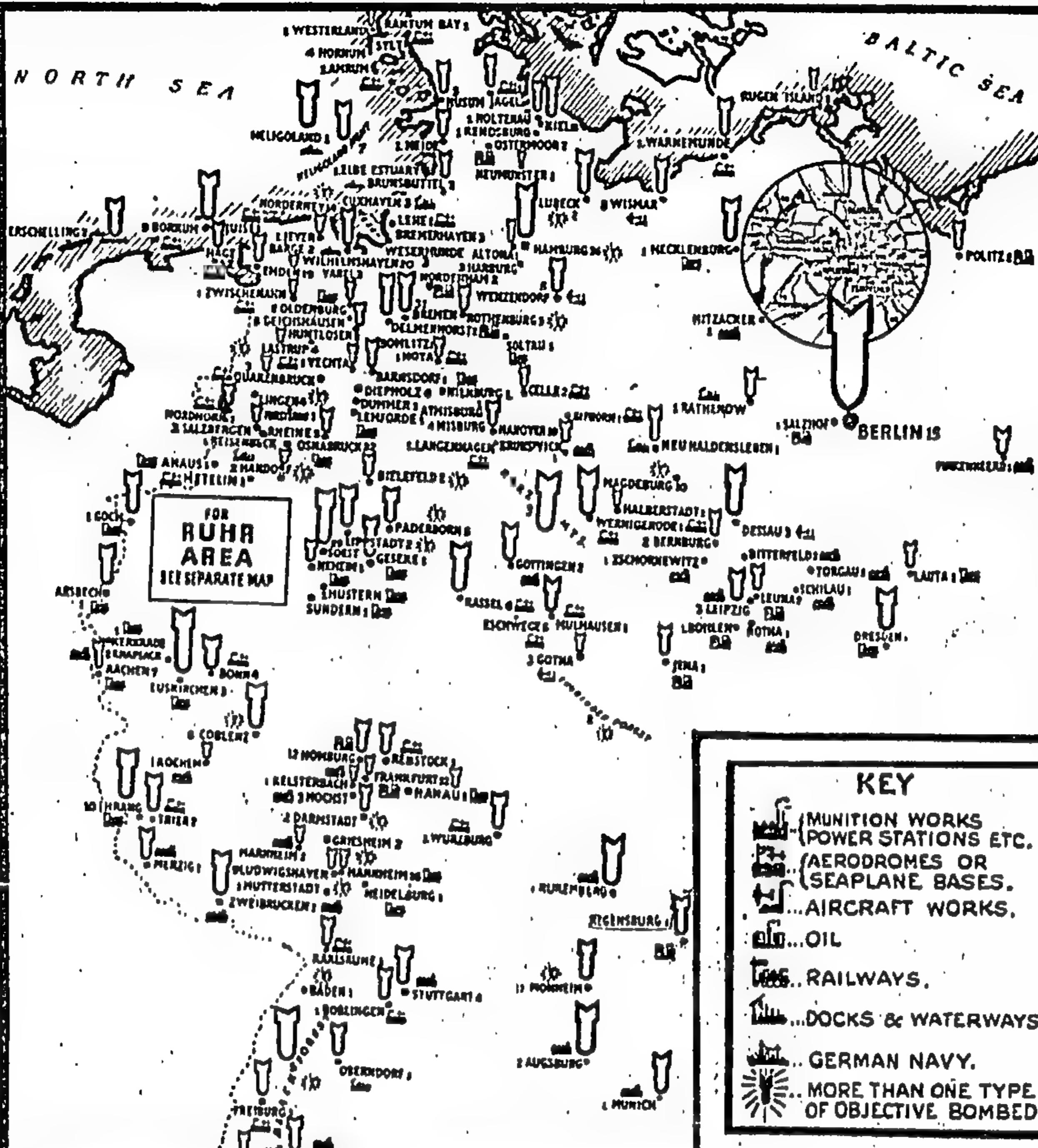
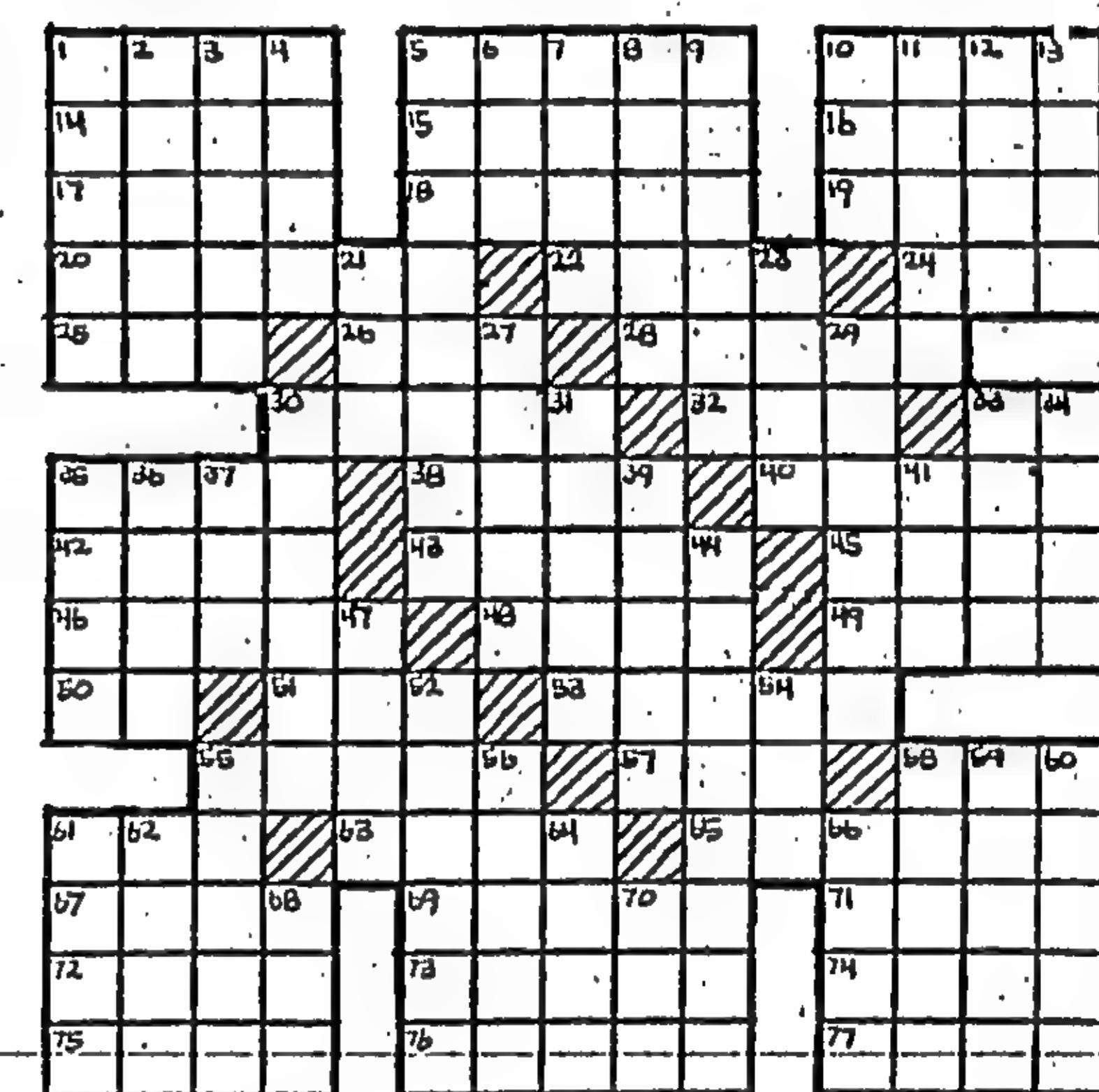
By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1-Take piece of
striker (island)
2—Unit of area
3—Offspring of mare
and donkey
4—North American
mammal
5—Small surrey for
16—Stately
18—Lotherry, (pl.)
20—Female relatives

24—Very warm
26—Jewelry
28—Lure of nerves
30—Loin cloth
32—Used in
gymnastic game
33—Upon
35—First king of Israel
36—Shirt, coat
40—Of solemn mien
42—Pineapple (Spanish)
43—Crown jewel
45—Muddy and silent
46—Paradise
48—Wax
49—Patron saint of
salons
50—Held us
51—Aeriform liquid
52—Cigar; erroneous
55—Breathing holes
57—Ulcer
58—Isle in Poland
61—Ancient Irish clan
63—Strike
65—Bull with
credentials

6—Bound intended to
franchise
7—Wife's deceased
8—Color by use of dyes
9—Sound
10—Arabian garment
11—Confusion
12—Taste
13—Ardor
14—Name of Guido's
branch of mathe-
matic (etc.)
15—Scale of wine
16—One in charge of
earthworks
17—Fringing rim
18—Unit of force
19—Fictional
20—Jules Verne
21—Character
22—Religious
23—One (French)
24—Roman spirits of
the dead; ancestors
25—Knots
26—Recipients of
honors
27—Without (French)
28—Guides
29—Inflated
30—Belief in ascent
31—Horn
32—Man who ate no fat
33—Worship
34—Birth of March in
China; calendar
35—Cain's brother
36—In anatomy, brain
37—Foolish
38—Fat book
39—Wealthy
40—Death
41—Lighted
42—Dearly illuminated



what our incomes were, but it did matter if there were nothing to buy with them.

"Nothing was imported into the island for the use of the islanders, although the Germans got everything they wanted."

"Cigarettes, now. All the English cigarettes were soon exhausted, and we had to depend on a small local cigarette factory, which, luckily, had a fair stock of tobacco. But when that stock is exhausted there will be no more cigarettes. Except, of course, for the Germans, who have their cigarettes sent in."

WATERED BEER

"It was the same with beer. There was a stock of beer in the island, but they would not bring any more in."

"They watered down what beer there was to make it go farther—and to make it almost undrinkable—but it is bound to come to an end soon. In fact I should think it is probably about ended by now. That means the Guernsey men will get no more beer."

"Wines and spirits, of course, were commanded on the first day and sent to Germany."

"It was rather funny that, at the same time, the Kommandant issued an order that there would be severe punishment for anybody found the worse for drink! That's one order the Guernsey men will never be able to disobey."

"This business of not being able to buy things applied to everything that had to be brought into the island—simply because the Germans were bringing nothing in, except for themselves."

"Shortly before I came away, for example, my daughter went out to buy some bananas. She was able to buy one. It cost her four-pence."

"So we watched the result, week by week, of this great German Socialism, everybody equal, that they made such a fuss about in the Guernsey papers."

"They were closing because they had exhausted their stocks. They could not get any more, and they had nothing left to sell. Then they began to find out that it didn't matter so much

that map, issued by the Ministry of Information, show clearly the chief objectives of the R.A.F. raids on Germany. The figures show the number of major attacks made on each area up to September 30. Smaller bombing raids and leaflet and reconnaissance flights are not included.

shopkeepers went out to work on the land or the airport, for their 30s. a week. That was what my father-in-law had to do, for one.

"The Germans tried to cover all this up by starting a little gaiety.

"They reopened the cinemas, twice a week, and at first they showed one German and one English film. But when they had used up all the English films that were in the Channel Islands, they had to be all German films, to which they put English subtitles.

"They also started to show propaganda films.

"A friend of mine went to the cinema one night, and saw 'The Sinking of the Ark Royal,' which was supposed to have been taken by the German pilot who sank her.

"The funny thing was that there were a lot of German soldiers in the cinema, and when they came to the propaganda film, most of them yawned and walked out for a drink, coming back when that film was over.

BOYCOTTED GIRLS

"Another amusement was the dances that were started in St George's Hall after the Germans had been in Guernsey for a couple of weeks. Quite a few of the local people went to those dances.

"Some of the girls, indeed, started walking out arm-in-arm with the Germans in the streets. I suppose it was natural for the Germans were a smart looking lot, most of them could speak perfect English, and they were well behaved."

"But the Guernsey people never could tolerate it. The girls who were seen walking out with the Germans were banned everywhere. One of them was a friend of my daughter's and she had the impudence to come to my house."

"'Clear out of this!' I told her, when I found her there, 'we don't want any German girls in this house.' That was the attitude most of the island took towards these girls."

"Mind you, it is the girls who complained about, not the German soldiers. The Germans were under the strictest orders and discipline and, with one exception, they behaved perfectly."

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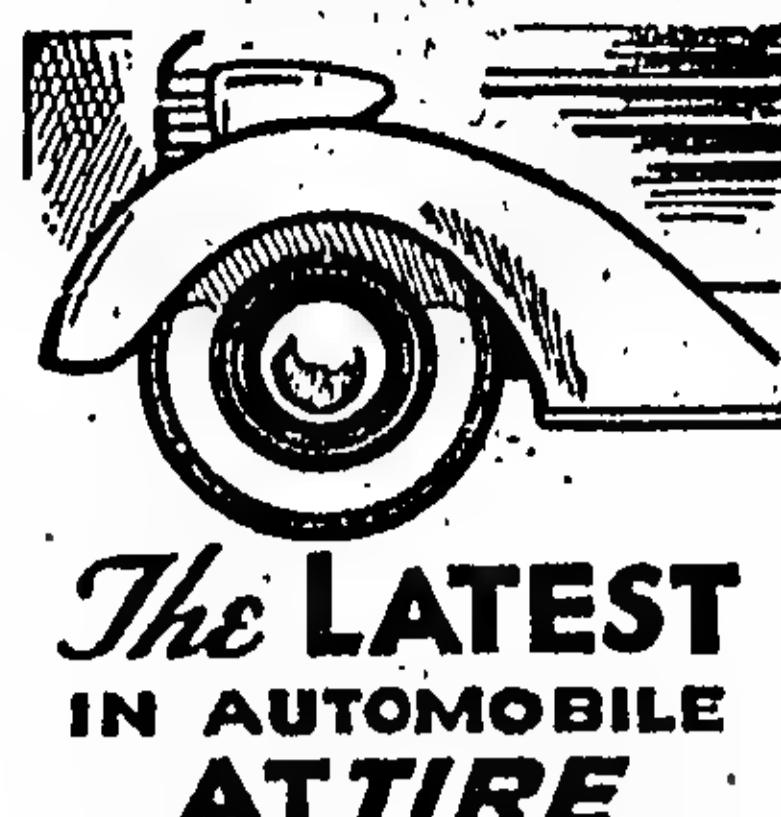
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NEW CALL TO ARMS

A DEEPER appreciation of the shocking and terrifying destruction which the Nazis Luftwaffe is causing to London and other cities in Britain is offered in the decision of the British Government to invoke a plan for the general mobilisation of fire watchers—in other words, the enforced use of perhaps 50 per cent. of the entire nation.

It is a vital step; unhappily a very necessary one. The "fire raid" of Sunday last clearly has stirred the Government more than anything else in this war. The Huns have now revealed that they are prepared to attempt to destroy everything historical and beautiful they can reach with their bombs; they are carrying total war to its ultimate stage.

Mr Herbert Morrison, when announcing the compulsory scheme, found it necessary to include a rebuke in his statement. "In more cities than one some of you have failed your country. This must never happen again," he declared. These are stern words, and possibly convey more than Mr Morrison intended they should. Few, if any, in Hongkong have had first-hand experience of modern raids, carried out as they are by the Nazis with all their insensate brutality and utter disregard for place or person; yet what little has been seen here through the cinema has been sufficient to excite the imagination and to set one wondering how the people at Home have been able to stand it as they have. Furthermore, the authenticated stories of heroism by the various voluntary fire-fighting and war services in England are sufficient to show that, by and large, there has been a wonderfully concerted effort to thwart Hitler's attempts to destroy and terrorise.

Mr Morrison's words must not be taken so much as an indictment as an urgent appeal. It is possible that someone blundered last Sunday when so many famous and historical buildings were laid waste; but this cannot be laid at the door of the average man and woman in England; their efforts hitherto have been too splendid to warrant such an indictment. What it means is that from henceforth, Britain generally must

"If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being"

THE German-Italian Japanese pact ought to make clear to Americans, if there are any who still need convincing, that this is no European war, but a world revolution for the redistribution of the entire planet.

That's what it was intended to be in the beginning; that's what it is; and in the nature of things it is directed as much against the United States as against anybody else.

If the Battle of Britain succeeded in the autumn, by a few

Down Lambeth Way—To-day

by G. R. STRAUSS

(Labour M.P. for Lambeth North)

From New York to New Guinea, Lambeth Walk is known to-day as a typical corner of Cockney London.

Like most other parts of the Metropolis—like, in fact, most urban districts in Britain—it has been bombed savagely.

In telling its story, then, Mr. Strauss, whose constituency contains The Walk, is telling the story of all the great centres of population. For they are all the same. The accents may vary, but the talk of Lambeth Walk is the talk of the townsmen of Britain.

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Do you remember the words of the song—

"Everything free and easy,
Do as you darn well please."

Of course the "Walk," as we in Lambeth always call it, was in reality never a bit like that—and it certainly isn't a bit easy, and a thousand regulations prevent you doing "as you darn well please."

"Why don't you make your way there . . . ?"

There's nothing to prevent you making your way there, and if you care to know what the "Walk" is like to-day, I invite you to do so in my company. I doubt, though, whether you will want to stay there.

Then there are the old people, if they want to stay with relations in the country, lose their Supplementary Pension and are unable to pay the rent of their London homes.

No wonder there is anger. And, believe me, when the people of the "Walk" are angry they express their feelings in words that are outspoken and vivid, as Herbert Morrison, himself a Lambeth man, well knows.

His appointment was in the nick of time. He has already done much to restore confidence.

THEN AND NOW

But you must first know what the "Walk" was like before the war.

A long, narrow, rather mean street, lined with shops and stalls, where the neighbouring housewives did their marketing because the goods were cheap and one was bound to meet a friend or two with whom to gossip.

The "Walk" was a social and shopping centre of a poor working-class district. Only on Saturday nights did it come near to the colourful and gaudy place of the song.

Then there were bustling crowds, gaily lit by the bright lights from the shop windows and the flares from the stalls, accordion music and laughter bursting from the pubs.

Nowadays on Saturday nights the "Walk" is deserted. You cannot go marketing in the blackout. And even in the daytime much of its colour has gone.

For a bomb-battered plumb in its centre, smashed the shop windows almost the whole length, and rough wooden boards now hide the displays that used to brighten the thoroughfare.

This catastrophe did not completely dishearten one shopkeeper. When he arrived the next morning and found his plate glass had disappeared, he remarked to his neighbour: "Well,

expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it is clearly behoved the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts.

Only by a scheme such as that outlined by Mr Morrison can this preparation be effected. The knowledge in dark and harrowing, belching days and nights of suffering and anguish, but the country has steeled itself for such a day and, there is no doubt, is ready and willing to answer the new call for compulsory service.

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Drabber and rather battered, its people fewer and their lips a little tighter, but their spirit unchanged—that is what you would find now. If you go down Lambeth way

United States Stands or Falls With Britain

By

Dorothy Thompson

weeks' "blitzkrieg" after the pattern of France, then Japan probably would not have been invoked at this moment.

With the citadel of the British Empire in Axis hands, the Near Eastern and Far Eastern possessions and Commonwealth members could have been cleaned up by the three Axis partners.

Dr Schacht announces quite simply that the real objects of this war are the breaking of the "plutocracies"—namely, Great Britain and the United States.

THE Japanese angle reveals itself in the plan that after this war the United States is to have no interests whatsoever, commercial or otherwise, in the Pacific.

We are to be allowed to trade exclusively with Europe—which needs some of our products—and with South America, where, far from having a "Sphere of Influence," we are to be apportioned "quotas."

We are to be allowed to trade only through a monopolistic import-export syndicate, to be set up for the whole continent of Europe, necessitating the end of individual trading in this country and the establishment of a similar government monopoly here.

The Battle for Britain is not a battle for an overcrowded scrap of geography.

The Battle for Britain is the Battle for the Atlantic Ocean, just as the Battle for France with Britain was the Battle for the Mediterranean and the sea-way to Africa, the Near East and Asia.

We shall be invited to stabilise our currencies together with Japan, Russia and pan-Fascist Powers control the Atlantic from Europe, and Japan controls the Pacific from Asia, the United rubber market for merchant-oceans will be pennied in by the dice and tourist trade.

But if you are in any doubt as to how Lambeth men are standing the strain, come along to the Rest Centre—formerly a college—where those who go are turned out of their homes by an "incident."

LISTEN

Listen to the comment of a shop girl, who, with her family, had been bombed out of her home in the middle of the night. She was busy helping to prepare breakfast for the others.

"I have always wanted to go to college," she said. "And now here I am."

I don't want you to think the people of the "Walk" are indifferent to the discomforts and dangers of the raids. Far from it. They are suffering severely.

It is no fun sitting up all night and every night with young children in a crowded shelter. And it's no fun queuing up from early in the afternoon to reserve your place in the basement of one of the big office buildings in the neighbourhood, or in an underground station.

Nevertheless, I have yet to hear a single word which would suggest any weakening of their will to fight on to victory.

And it isn't all contentment and good humour in Lambeth either. There is much resentment, angry resentment.

Against Hitler, of course—for hatred of him is permanent and unshakable—but also against the authorities.

Precariously because of the shortage of shelters, but for many other reasons too.

People who plainly ought to be out of London and were anxious to go found that they did not fall within any Government evacuation scheme. Invalids for example, I know of bed-ridden woman whose husband wanted to get her away as soon as the severe bombing started.

He found, after applying to various authorities, that there was no provision for her removal. So she had to stay in London, although she could not even get to a shelter at night.

Then there are the old people, if they want to stay with relations in the country, lose their Supplementary Pension and are unable to pay the rent of their London homes.

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CARRYING ON

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"Can you wait? . . . I expect a phone call any minute!"

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



K.R.A. And Mainland Problems**Inadequacy Of The K'loon Bus Service**

At the December meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, the question of the procedure to be followed by patients seeking admission to or treatment at Government hospitals, which has been receiving their attention for some time, was finally disposed of.

Investigations proved that most of the complaints regarding the Kowloon Hospital were due, not to the new regulations themselves, but rather to the faulty administration of those regulations, and it was reassuring to note that the Hon. Director of Medical Services had stressed the fact that any complaint in respect of any side of hospital management, treatment, or administration, if made to him at the time or as soon after as possible, would be immediately enquired into, and Dr Selwyn-Clarke had personally assured the Association that he would closely investigate any such complaints.

It was generally conceded that the fundamental cause of any dissatisfaction with the new regulations or for the need of such regulations, was the inadequacy of hospital facilities in the Colony, and it was decided that the Association should now direct its attention to the possibility of making suggestions or proposals which would tend to assist in improving and increasing those facilities; a special Sub-Committee was therefore appointed with this aim in view.

The report and recommendations of Mr C. E. Terry were unanimously adopted, and the Hon. Secretary was instructed to express the appreciation of the Association to the Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, for the courteous and patient manner in which he has dealt with the representations made to him; at the same time he was directed to record in the minutes a vote of thanks to Mr Terry for his valuable work and report.

Kowloon Bus Service

As the result of further correspondence with The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd., regarding the congestion on all the main bus routes, this subject again received considerable discussion.

For some time past, there have been constant complaints by the travelling public about the over-crowding and lack of accommodation on the buses; and the Association has made representations to the management of the Bus Company on the matter both by interviews and correspondence. The explanation given by the Bus Company from time to time was that the trouble is mainly due to a shortage of vehicles, owing to the non-arrival of rolling-stock from Great Britain, some of the orders for which were placed even before the commencement of the war.

It has now been definitely ascertained that there is very little prospect of the Bus Company being able to obtain anything like the required number of British made vehicles from the United Kingdom in the near future.

The management stated that they have made and are making every effort to cope with the situation. They had already petitioned Government for permission to purchase, for the duration of the war, American-made vehicles for the purpose of replacement and enlargement of their present fleet of buses, and although this petition had been sent in some time ago, nothing had yet been heard in reply, consequently the ordering or purchase of such vehicles was held up.

The Company had also again appealed to Government to allow them to use "double-deck" vehicles on the main routes, in the same way as has been sanctioned on the Island; two chassis for "double-deck" bodies were actually in hand, and one of them with a frame-work body fitted to it had recently been tested on the roads by the traffic department.

Something Should Be Done

Some pungent remarks were made at the meeting regarding the apparent helplessness of the Bus Company to effect any practical means for coping with the traffic department.

India And A.R.P.**CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).**

The question of providing for the safety of important buildings in the city and the surrounding industrial areas against possible air raids is engaging the attention of the Bengal Government.

German Bombs Again Kill People In Eire

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—More bombs were dropped on Eire territory early this morning.

High explosive and incendiary bombs dropped last night killed and seriously wounded a number of British people. One of the incendiary bombs picked up was identified as German. Other bombs have been collected and are being examined by experts.

A statement by the Eire Government Information Bureau reporting these bombings, lists six areas in the eastern counties of Eire where bombs were dropped and recorded the death of three women, two persons seriously injured and a number injured.

"On the Curragh race course," says the official statement, "three high explosive bombs were dropped and a large number of incendiary bombs fell in this area. An incendiary bomb picked up near Curragh was identified as German."

The statement adds that the first bomb fell near Drogheda, five at Duleek and three at Julianstown. There were no casualties.

Houses Demolished

At 6.10 a.m. to-day, two bombs were dropped at Rathdown Park, Terenure, Dublin. Two houses were demolished and several houses were damaged.

Seven persons were trapped in the demolished houses but were later rescued. Several people were injured.

Two other bombs dropped in Fortfield Road and the Laveras area of the same district. Some houses were damaged but there were no casualties.

**NAZI SUPPLY SHIP BOMBED**

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—An official photograph of the bombing of a German supply ship by the Fleet Air Arm. The ship—one of about 2,500 tons—was lying at Haugesund when attacked. More than one direct hit was registered.

To Fight Air Raid Fires**Executive Body Named**

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister has approved of the immediate establishment of a special organisation to be called the "Fire Prevention Executive" to secure prompt and vigorous action by various Government departments and authorities in applying effective measures in fire prevention in the target areas.

The new organisation, which will include responsible representatives of all Government departments concerned with the many aspects of the problem of fire prevention, will work in close association with the Minister of Home Security.

There will be the fullest possible delegation responsible to regions and to smaller areas within regions, and appropriate arrangements will be made for the supervision of work in Scotland.

The Postmaster General, Mr W. S. Morrison, will preside over the meetings of the new executive.

Apportioning Task

The new committee will apportion the task of fire-watching.

The Ministry of Aircraft Production, the Ministry of Supply and the Admiralty are among those whose special responsibility will be for their own factories.

The Ministry of Home Security will assume responsibility for all buildings, public, private and industrial, which do not come within the scope of other departments, and the homes of the whole civilian population will come under its wing.

Immediate Response

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The response to my appeal for the immediate formation of fire and bomb-fighting parties in business and residential districts shows signs of being satisfactory," declared Mr Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, in a statement to-night.

Mr Morrison added that preliminary reports from all regions indicated that without waiting for the approach of wardens and firemen a great number of men and women were offering their services either individually or after making up parties among themselves.

County Wexford

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Eire was bombed to-night (Thursday) for the second successive night.

Three bombs fell near Enniscorthy, County Wexford. There was no damage and nobody was injured.

Magnetic Mines Dropped

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The fact that magnetic mines were dropped off the coast of Ireland was revealed to-night by the Eirean Government Information Bureau on behalf of the Department of Defence of the State.

The announcement says: "Magnetic sea mines dropped by parachute from an aircraft this morning at Glen Cormack and Endiserry will be destroyed by army engineers tomorrow."

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Stern Australian Judgment On Spies

CANBERRA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Traitors or spies will earn the death penalty if caught in Australia, declared Mr W. M. Hughes, the Attorney-General and Navy Minister, in an interview to-day.

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Gale Capsizes Boat

BOMBAY, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—A boat (Bengal) 10 lives were lost as the result of the sinking of a boat in the channel between Chittagong and Sandwip Island.

The boat, which was carrying 22 passengers, was caught in a gale and capsized in midstream.

South African Siege

PINGRIANG, Jan. 2 (Central News).—The Japanese at Tsingyng in South Hupeh are under a Chinese siege, according to military advices.

The Japanese were defeated at Tashiping, Moohlapang and Pangchiao, outer defence points of Tsingyng, on December 20 and fled into Tsingyng city.

Chinese mobile units have been actively destroying Japanese communications in South Hupeh in the past week. Japanese telegraph and telephone wires and poles at Peiyang, Peiyeh, and Lutaiwan were torn down and highway and bridges at Mutang, and Chaolichao were damaged.

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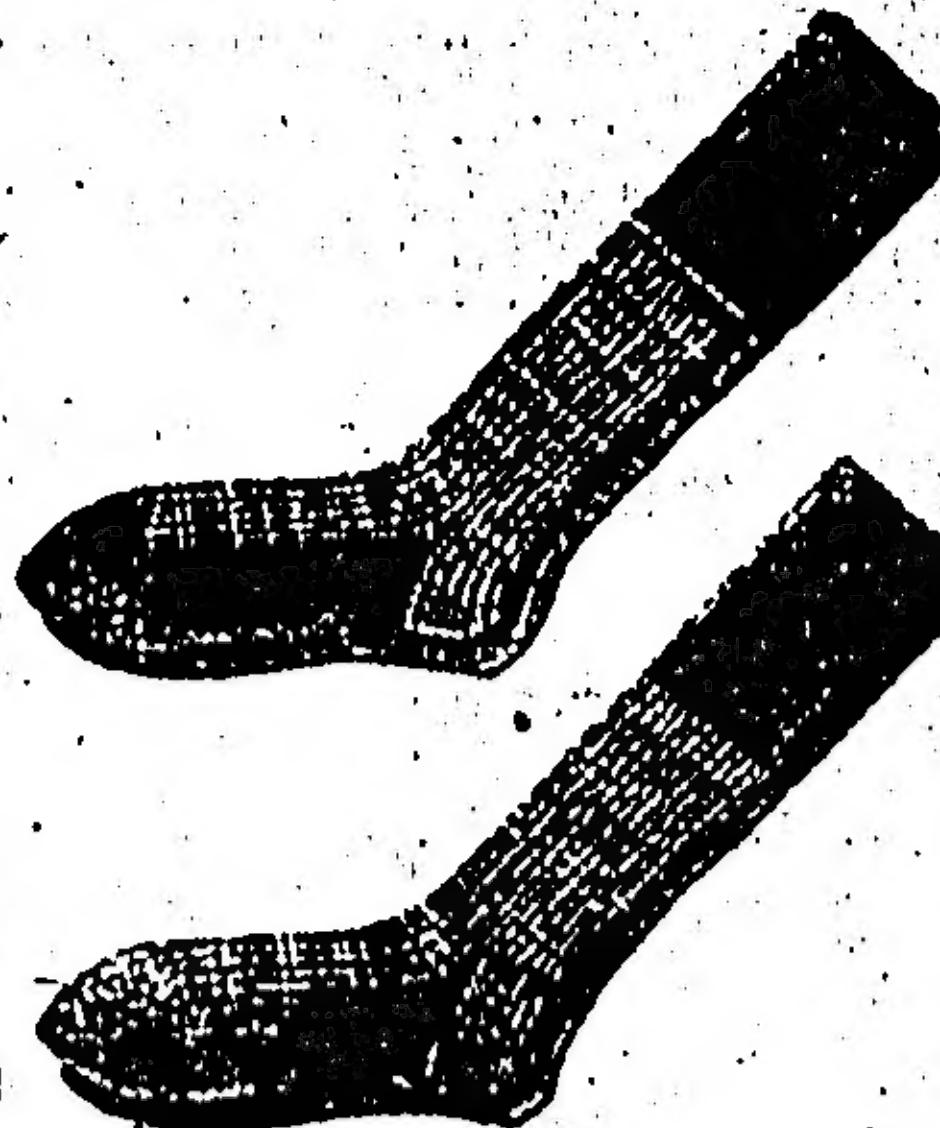
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destroyed 70 bridges and 230 miles of railway track but have also recaptured considerable areas in Shansi province, states Moscow radio.

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

Australian Griffins In Demand

Recent Auction Of New Ponies Arouses Great Local Interest

THE RECENT AUCTION SALES of 41 imported Australian griffins (to be raced in Spring) under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club proved a great success, and the Stewards must have been quite satisfied with the response shown by the eagerness of owners to bid as each lot was parading in the ring.

It was the first and greatest undertaking of its kind by any Racing Club in the Orient and I cannot help remarking that the success will not only provide good racing but will ensure an established class of ponies for the future. A salient feature of the auction was that the Hongkong Jockey Club made a huge profit in the enterprise, and, furthermore, members of the Club were content with their purchases.

The Club stipulated a limit of \$1,250 per Griffin, but it is interesting to state that only one lot (No. 24 by Weatherwise) was knocked down at the upset price to Mr. T. K. Li, who has named the pony Odin.

The highest price was \$8,100 for a brown mare (No. 6 by Elignus by Dignity) by Gambray out of Lady Mecca by Façet from Devos (by Woorsk) and the pony is now named Gleaming and belongs to Mr. Eu Tong-yan.

The second highest bid was \$8,000 paid by Mr. Li Lam-sang for a bay gelding (No. 26 by Faro) by Falman from Dame Perleto out of Bouvry by Buckwheat by Maragon by Bend Or from Tiger Lily and the owner wants his new purchase (a brother to Far View and Sapper, the two outstanding ponies of 1940) to be known as Distant View.

A good few animals fetched \$3,000 and over, but the average price of the 41 animals worked out at \$2,740 each, and the Club came out of the frying pan with a new profit of \$1,800 per month.

Prejudice Routed

THERE was at one time, without fear of any contradiction, a certain amount of prejudice against Australian ponies owing to the fact that they could not stand much racing. But owners are now realising that the cobs from the Antipodes are hardy, and the percentage of those appearing on the "walking list" has been much less than the cross-breds from North China.

It is my humble opinion that the failure to supply China pony subscription griffins by the Russian dealers for last year's racing was a blessing in disguise.

However, Hongkong will know in future where to find good substitutes, without approaching the "Government for export permit," and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

There was no doubt that a good few griffins at the auction were bought on their pedigrees, but the Club accepted no responsibility for wrong description.

In perusing the catalogue issued by the club, I found that Griffin No. 26 has "good blood," the dam being Bouvry by Buckwheat by Maragon by Bend Or from Tiger Lily.

It will therefore be seen that Distant View is the only pony that has a bit of that famous Bend Or's blood.

Eleven New Events For Australian Griffins At Annual Meet

The programme for Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be held at Happy Valley on February 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, contains eleven races for an entirely new class of pony—the Australian Griffins, a number of which were imported by the Jockey Club and 41 of them were sold at private auctions to members of the Club last October.

These races are the Austral Valley Stakes, the Austral Maiden Stakes and Austral Cup, the Triple Plate on the first day; Austral-British Stakes and Austral Derby on the second day; the Austral Cup and Austral Racing Stakes on the third day; the Austral Hopeful Stakes and Austral Grand Stand Stakes on the fourth day and the Caulfield Stakes and Yarra Stakes on the fifth and final day.

There are 19 events allotted to the Austral Cup of 1941, of which 113 were drawn as against 62 last year. DERBY DAYS

The Hongkong Derby will be run

on the second day and the Rooty Hill Derby and Sports Club Cup on the third day.

The Australian Champions and Hongkong Champions will take place on the fourth day, while the Professional Cup and Australian Suburban ponies Champions will be held on the last day.

Twelve races will be held on each of the first four days commencing at 11.30 a.m. with the usual 15-min interval of 1.30 p.m. Racing on the fifth and final day will start at 2 p.m. and will comprise only nine events.

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HISTORY OF THE BEND OR SIRE-LINE

Strain That Dominates World's Thoroughbreds

QUITE RECENTLY the writer came across an interesting subject "The Bend Or Sire-Line" by "Royston" in one of the London magazines of 1939 and I am sure the reproduction of that article in this column will be a pleasant reading not only to owners but to men of the turf as well. Hereunder is the story:

It may sound extraordinary, but it is nevertheless a fact that the sire-line (the top line in a pedigree) descending from Bend Or practically dominates the thoroughbreds of the world.

In this country it most commonly descends via Bona Vista, Cyllene, Polymelus and Phalaris; in France, Ormonde, Osoroy, Fleur de Lys, and at the age of sixteen, Scopete's dam, Ornament, to Bend Or.

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Parting of the Lines

WITH Ormonde, who won the triple-crown and many other races of £28,465, comes the parting of the Bend Or lines. In his first season as a stallion, he sired 546 winners of 861 races carrying £270,000 out of a total of 1,534 winners of 2,300 races that carried £824,010 in stakes and—all this from an Argentine buyer for £12,000, and was then passed on to a California breeder for £30,000.

But he was a failure as a sire of winners, and left Ormonde, who

won two Eclipse Stakes and other events of £23,526 in value, to pass on the male line to Flying Fox, who, after winning the triple-crown, the Eclipse Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes and other events of £40,000 in the Westminster livery, was sold at the death of the Duke, in 1900, to M. Edmond Blanc for 37,500 gns, and was exported.

In France he begat the French Derby and Grand Prix de Paris winner, Ajax, who through his son, Teddy, and his son, Sir Galahad III, has put the line into such a strong position in France and in America.

The Line in England

MEANTIME Bona Vista, a half-brother to the Derby winner, Sir Vista, and to Velasquez from Macaroni's daughter, Vespa, who won the Two Thousand Guineas and other races of £8,835, carried on in England, and before being sold to Austria-Hungary sired Cyllene, a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry, but nevertheless scored in the Newmarket Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes, the Ascot Gold Cup and other events of £26,030, became the sire of the Derby winners, Cicero, Lemberg, Minoru, and the filly Tagalle.

The blood of the first three is nowadays—seldom—seen—in—the sire-line of a pedigree, but the join-up with present-day sires was made, through Polymelus, a good handlisper with the Duke of York Stakes and the Cambridgeshire to his credit, who became responsible for the war-time Derby winners, Pommern and Finella; for the Epsom Derby winner, Humorist, and for Phalaris another good handlisper who begat among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Manna; and the St Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

COLORADO is dead, as is Fairway's brother, Phares, but the line is the most prolific one in the country, and though not overburdened with stamina, the most popular.

This season Blue Peter has put the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby to his credit, and Phares has done it further honour through victories in the French Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

All credit must go to Bend Or, but the smaller breeders would do well to remember his ancestry: the poor and the rich have the same chance when the breeding of bloodstock is the main theme: there are still Ellen Hornes and Annettes to be found; there has seldom been a better time for the bloodstock industry.

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Polly-Annette grew up and foaled Lily-Anne, who after winning twenty-one races including the Northumberland Plate, the Doncaster Cup and the Great Ebor Handicap, was sold to the Duke of Westminster, and for him bred the

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Stanford Win Rose Bowl Classic

PASADENA, Jan. 1 (UPI)—Stanford University emerged triumphantly from their American Football Rose Bowl classic against Nebraska, winning today by 21 points to 13 before an enormous crowd.

SPLENDID CRICKET ON THE CLUB GROUND

Century By T. G. C. Knight
And "Fireworks"
From R. H. Griffiths

(By "R. Abbit")

IF WE GET many days for cricket like that on New Year's Day in 1941 there will be no complaints. It was perfect cricket weather—bright sun and a fresh breeze blowing.

Club and Wanderers agreed to play twelve-a-side, and the latter team took first knock on what seemed to be an excellent pitch.

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Here, however, Club success censed as Alec Pearce and Grose played the bowling with confidence. Perry seemed to be swinging across from the off, and Baker coming in from the leg, which is not his usual habit.

At 25, Baker was relieved by Pearce, and then after missing a season through illness, was sold to an Argentine buyer for £12,000, and was then passed on to a California breeder for £30,000.

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won two Eclipse Stakes and other events of £23,526 in value, to pass on the male line to Flying Fox, who, after winning the triple-crown, the Eclipse Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes and other events of £40,000 in the Westminster livery, was sold at the death of the Duke, in 1900, to M. Edmond Blanc for 37,500 gns, and was exported.

In France he begat the French Derby and Grand Prix de Paris winner, Ajax, who through his son, Teddy, and his son, Sir Galahad III, has put the line into such a strong position in France and in America.

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Golf

\$382 COLLECTED AT FANLING FOR "BOMBER" FUND

The first Golf competition for the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund (a prize for which was presented anonymously) was won by G. M. Park (7) and G. Thompson (9), who tied with three up each and two down. The former played over the Old Course and the latter over the New.

Other scores over the Old Course were W. S. Hillier (10) and L. Andrew (10), two up; Major W. G. Harvey (10), S. G. Clark (10) and J. Hartrop (10), one up. There were numerous scores of all-square.

Other scores over the New Course were F. N. Merrick (10), Lt-Col E. D. Matthews (10) and T. McCarty (9) two up; Capt. C. D. Dredge (10), S. L. Lloyd (10), G. N. Taylor (10) and J. H. B. Lee (11), one

NANCY



INTENSE RAIDS ON BARDIA

Smashing Blows By R.A.F.

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force raids on Bardia and Derna, and aerodromes in Timi and Gazala, are announced in a communiqué issued by R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East.

All bombs at Bardia burst in the target area but details of the damage were not observed.

In Italian East Africa, the Rhodesian squadron destroyed a number of buildings near Siderat while other aircraft of the same squadron made a dive attack on enemy positions in Keru 50 miles east-north-east of Kassala, destroying motor transport vehicles, starting a very large fire and silencing several A.A. guns.

From all operations all British aircraft returned safely.

Guns From Sidi Barrani

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Guns captured in the battle for Sidi Barrani and during the advance into Libya total 329 and include 20 heavy and 48 light A.A. guns, states today's communiqué.

The Italian garrison of Bardia shows no signs of activity and is allowing British forces to continue preparations and concentrations without any interference.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts.

Italians Quiet

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (UP).—The General Headquarters communiqué states:

**Smoke as much as you like
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4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	.84%
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02%
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03%

ITALIAN SABOTAGE

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Barracks occupied by an Italian garrison at the frontier town of Postumia (on the road from Trieste to Ljubljana, Yugoslavia) have been set afire.

Four civilians have been arrested, suspected of sabotage and the entire garrison is under strict observation.

INSPECTION OF AUSTRALIANS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Australian Army Minister, Mr. Spender, and the Chief of the Australian General Staff, Lieut-General Sturdee, have arrived at Palestine from Australia on an inspection visit of the Australian Imperial Force.



THE DUKE OF KENT jumping from a plane which carried him to an operational training unit in the North. The Duke saw pilots being trained in Britain's latest fighter machines.

Prisoners, Aliens and Women Toil For Reich

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Facts regarding labour wartime conditions in Germany revealed by an official of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, show that despite dictatorial powers, the Nazi Government has not been able to achieve 100 per cent. control of the workers' movement nor to use all skilled

unmarried women, practically all of whom living in large towns have been absorbed into the industrial system, as well as young widows.

Wages are fixed and it is illegal for employers to pay more, but it appears that a tremendous amount of overtime is being worked. Hours in the factories vary between 10 and 12 daily and Government has been compelled to make concessions concerning overtime pay.

One of Germany's main problems will be transport and distribution and, with the effects of the British blockade, there may soon be a shortage of vital products and supplies.

As a result of Royal Air Force activities there has been much damage to transport and distribution.

It is understood that Germany has added 3,000,000 to its labour forces since the war, or 10 per cent more than pre-war figures. They consist of 1,000,000 foreigners and 1,000,000 prisoners of war engaged on civil work and 1,000,000 extra odd men workers who had retired or who were not in the usual way available. The total number of women employed is now 300,000 more than at the beginning of the war.

Shortage Of Miners

LONDON, Jan. 2 (British Wireless).—There is a great shortage of miners in Germany which has put a violent brake on the coal output essential if supplies of synthetic fuel, rubber and other commodities are to be maintained. Ruthless compulsion applied to all workers regardless of the type of work or home locality has forced the labour authorities to lavish "after victory" promises of all kinds on workers, one of these being the abolition of compulsory labour.

The Nazis have had to "soft pedal" the conscription of women. Compulsion has been applied only to

British Journalist Expelled

LISBON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—W. Lucas, for many years the London "Times" correspondent in Portugal, has been ordered to leave the country within 48 hours on account of an article written by him in an American review.

In it he alleged that German influence existed in Portugal.

By Ernie Bushmiller

Bushmiller

General Antonescu's New Move

Military Regime Is Set Up In Rumania

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—What amounts to a military regime has been organised by General Antonescu in Rumania during the past few days, according to the Istanbul correspondent of a Free French agency, who states that this Army Government appears to be superseding the former "Legionary State."

The correspondent bases his information on reports from responsible persons in Bucharest.

The Police, railways, posts, telegraphs and even national banks have been placed under military jurisdiction with the secret assent of the Germans who, at General Antonescu's request, have sent more troops to Rumania.

The correspondent adds that in Rumanian political circles it is considered that the present movements of German troops do not reach the high figures quoted abroad. They simply consist of a new German Division which will take several days to transport.

Internal Situation

(REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

RUMANIAN FRONTIER, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—The unhealthy internal situation in Rumania—wherein Communists and other left wing elements are coming into conflict with the Iron Guard—is the main reason for the drafting of more German troops into the country.

Such is the gist of reliable information obtained from Germany, from neighbouring Balkan capitals and from Bucharest itself.

Germany has not sent anything like a quarter of a million troops into Rumania, as reported in some quarters. Allowing for replacements, the total strength of Nazi effective is believed to be about three divisions. Much of the sealed railway traffic passing through consists of wagons with armaments which are being sent to pay for Rumanian oil.

Preventing Sabotage

Berlin apparently believes that three divisions are necessary to prevent sabotage of Nazi economic interests in Rumania and to smother increasing agitation against the Nazi-supported Antonescu régime on the part of Communists and other opposition elements.

Underlying the whole situation is the fundamental conflict between the Iron Guard and Communist ideologies. The developing of the anti-Communist campaign of the Iron Guard has led to a note from the Soviet Minister demanding its cessation.

Soviet circles in the Balkans believe that the new German Minister to Rumania, Baron von Killinger, is about to re-organise the Gestapo's control of Rumania, using Iron Guard men as instrument against the Communists.

Dangerous Peasantry

An inquiry by a leading Bucharest paper among its correspondents in many towns and villages has shown that the urban working classes are already under Communist influence. Peasants are standing aloof from the Legionary régime and are also in a highly dangerous mood.

From this it is evident that if Germany attempts to get Rumania to march by her side in any adventurous policy there will be violent reaction among many Rumanians.

Variety Programme.—In Our Village A.R.P., Nico Kild (Sergeant-Major, Norman Long) "Up Aroun' The Old North Pole, What Can You Give a Nudist"; Bertha Willmott with Orchestra; The Scoutmaster, John Tilley; Dennis, The Monace from Venice, My Young Man's Ever So Nice, Eddie Atherton with Orchestra; Seven Veils, Dear Old Fashioned Thing, Norman Long with Piano.

10.15 Dance Music.

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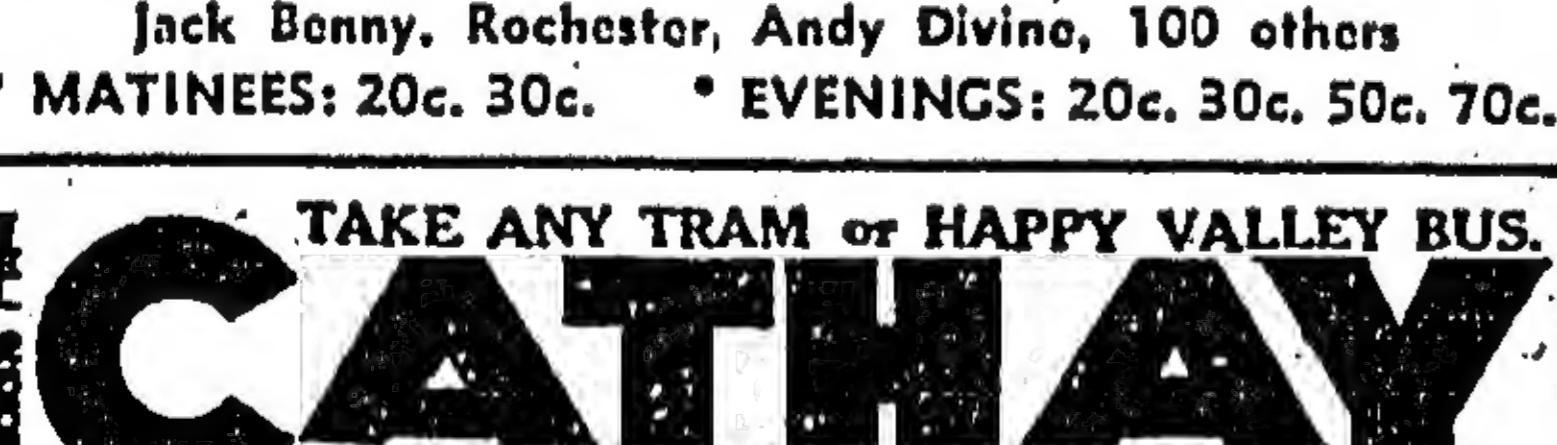


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BUTCH and BUDDY

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rails were lowered and the Nazi flag was hoisted.

The captain was ordered to abandon ship and his crew were taken on board the warship while their ship was sunk.

Put Aboard Scharnhorst

Later they were transferred to the other Norwegian ship which had been captured and was under a German prize crew. This ship sailed to Kobe, put the men on board the Scharnhorst, crack German liner which has been in refuge there since the outbreak of war, left the following morning. After two or three days the Norwegian and British consuls arranged the transfer of the Norwegians to a British ship and some recently passed through Hongkong.

It is stated that not all the men came to Hongkong. Some were repatriated via Siberia having elected to return to their own country.

Australian Investigation

CANBERRA, Jan. 3 (Reuters) — The Navy Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, stated that the Naval Board was investigating statements by survivors that Nazi Pacific raiders possess information indicating that they know the British Admiralty code for communicating with merchant shipping. Interviews with survivors give no hint of the whereabouts of the bases from which the raiders and supply ships are resupplied and refitted.

Rumours Unsupported

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP)—Reliable British diplomatic representatives in Japan say that all reports fail to support the rumours that German raiders are being equipped as commerce raiders in Japanese ports.

ANGLO-POLISH FELICITATIONS

LONDON, Jan. 2 (British Wireless)—General Sikorski has received the following wire from the King in reply to his cable with the new year's wishes:

"Deeply touched by your kind wire. Please accept my very best wishes for yourself and your gallant forces, whose valuable contribution and determination in our mutual struggle I always follow with the keenest interest."

"Vague" Defence Regulations

Magistrate On Trespassing

"These defence regulations are very vague and I cannot convict anyone for trespassing on military land unless there is something to show that they actually knew they were trespassing. In this case there was no wire or notice provided to prevent such an occurrence, and I believe these people were ignorant of the fact that they were trespassing," said Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at Central Magistracy this morning when six married women were charged before him with trespassing on a gun track at Mount Davis.

The defendants Tsang Cheung, 24, Chik Tsat, 37, Chun Sul-chun, 22, Cha Kum, 40, Lui Mai, 26 and Ho Tsat, pleaded ignorance and said they went there to collect tree leaves.

It was said that the accused were taking away a quantity of fern used for camouflage purposes, when they were arrested.

Accused were remanded 24 hours for further inquiries.

Pickpocket Caught

Chased and caught by a Chinese constable after having stolen a round-tail pen from the pocket of Mr. R. Brannon, an engineer from the President Pierce, at the entrance to the Star Ferry yesterday, Ho Man, 27, appeared before Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

He admitted a further charge of returning from banishment. Sgt. Bethell prosecuted.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—Authorities forecast that the War Department will call up 100,000 men during January for training under the selective service programme.

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Meat Ration Reduced

In Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP)—The Ministry of Food announced that the meat ration which is now 1s. 10d. per week will be reduced to 1s. 6d. effective next Monday.

A severe meat shortage developed in London to-day with some butchers being forced to close their shops because their supplies were exhausted, whilst other shops announced that their customers would be allotted only 7d. to 1s. 1d. worth of meat, depending on the supplies.

The unprecedented Christmas rush, as well as the distribution and transportation difficulties are blamed for the shortage.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The New Year opened with a good general demand for scrip, and prices advanced in some cases.

Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$74.50

Canary Ins. \$200

Union Ins. \$400

H.K. Fire Ins. \$157.50

Wharves \$93

H.K. Lands \$34

Titan \$17.75

Star Ferries \$81

Yau Ma Tei Ferries \$24

Electric "O" \$40

Electric "N" \$30.75

Sandakan Lights \$11.50

Ropes \$7.40

Dairy Farms \$18.75

Entertainments \$7

Construction "O" \$1.00

Sellers

Wharves \$95

Trams \$18

Vibro Piling \$7.70

Sales

Docks "O" \$18.30

Electric "O" \$40.25

Dairy Farms \$18.80

Watsons \$10.05/70

LATE NEWS

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